



THE 1963 MERRILLVUE

Merrillville High School

Merrillville, Ind.

This year, 1962-63 has been a year of change in all facets of our school life. Changes in our modern world are increable. Nothing is always the same. This year the students at Merrillville witnessed many changes.

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The first major activity this year, the Homecoming, was a great success, through the efforts of all students. This year we have had many more student assemblies and pep sessions before the important games. This has tended to bind our students in school loyalty.

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Activities More Varied

Morning — Alive with Action;

I wonder if Bovard will believe my excuse?

No! You can't borrow my homework.



Morning hour practice before morning hour study.



This locker is worse than my closet!

Noon — a Time to Relax

An hour off for gossip and food.



Quit pushing, you'll make it.





This ought to brighten up our drabby old locker.

Mr. Long has a slow day on hall duty.



Outside Activities . . .

Little angels . . . with a guard.



Marcia Slosson, Susan Esposita, and Lynn Layman sell us our supplies.







Behind scene work made on the scene success for band float.

Quick: Here comes Wick.

Adds Spice to School Life

The end of another day.







M.H.S. Students Welcome Alumni



Band "blasts" for victory.

This year's Homecoming festivities will probably be remembered as one of the finest for Mertiliville. For the second consecutive year the activities began with a colorful parade, building up excitement for the all important Friday night game. Hopeful anticipation was fulfilled when our fighting Pirates pulled a 13—0 victory over the Highland Trojans.

Halftime proved to be very exciting also as the prize for the outstanding float was worthly awarded to the Senior Class. The climax of the evening came when Mr. Demaree crowned the Queen and Mr. Football. Seniors Rae Ellen Sherrington, Roger Feiser, and George Gilrowski reigned as Homecoming royalty. Finally, Saturday night brought a joyful close to the week's festivities.

At the traditional Homecoming Dance couples enjoyed the enchanting music of Ramsey Nix. Queen Rae Ellen Sherrington and Mr. Footballs, Roger Feiser and George Gilrowski reigned over the festivities. Students, parents, and faculty members all agreed that the 1962 Homecoming would always be regarded as a huge success.

Pep Club shouts for Merrillville touch-down.



The Homecoming Queen and

Mr. Football candidates.



with Homecoming Festivities



Queen Rae Ellen Sherrington between Mr. Footballs George Gilrowski and Roger Fieser.

Mark Johnston leads the parade to victory.





Queen Charmaine (Charlie Deible) crowns Mr. Football (Judy Kuchar) in the pep assembly program.



Merrillville students dance to the music of Ramsey Nix.



MARCHING BAND:

FIRST ROW: K. Semokaitis, R. Seale, T. Gavelli, D. Harris. SECOND ROW: M. Trigger, B. Morton, M. Lawrence, R. Suhra, G. Gullic, S. Martin, J. Tancos, B. Willis. THIRD ROW: M. Koedyker, P. Beaty, C. Trigger, M. Raduenz, P. Bowen, M. Long, D. Blomliey, K. Racosky,

K. Friedlund, L. Macy, B. Lunsford. FOURTH ROW: P. Shults, M. Nelson, B. Stanley, S. Sheridan, S. Sheppard, A. Day, D. Henkey, N. Thomas, W. Jachimczak, P. Jones, B. Huse.

Gail Luttinen leads band in the Homecoming parade.



Joined with the choir on two separate occasions in December, the band participated in the annual Christmas production of "Seasons' Greetings" and then in the Winter Concert on February 13. Their spring Concert was April 3.

The Concert Band took part in the State High School Band Contest on April 20. After many hours of hard work and practicing, those who had entered, journeyed to the Solo and Ensemble Contest, January 26, where many honors were received. Merrillville's entrants included the Dance Band as well as 52 solos and 32 ensembles.

Marching Pirates practice for a football game.





MARCHING BAND:

ROW 1: C. Shults, J. Hacker, K. Nelson. ROW 2: L. Evers, R. Farrington, D. Johnston, T. Owens, T. Novotny. ROW 3: A. Page, N. Bella, G. Peterson, K. Hill, D. Lollis, M. Markancek, J. Kiburz, J. Lee, G. Smith. ROW 4: D.

Shirley, K. Gillam, R. Loftain, K. Luedtke, J. Simpson, R. Pendleton, S. Seeley, T. Martin, G. Luttinen, B. Kiburz, J. Halberstadt. *STANDING*: R. Hardt, D. Smith, C. Fotch.

PEP BAND:

ROW 1: G. Peterson, T. Owens, T. Novotny, K. Semokaitis, K. Nelson, B. Morton, M. Lawrence, M. Koedy, ker, R. Svihra, P. Beaty, ROW 2: S. Seeley, M. Markancek, B. Kiburz, J. Halberstadt, J. Kiburz, T. Martin, K. Gillam, L. Macy, ROW 3: R. Hardt, R. Loftain, N. Thomas, W. Jackim-czak, B. Willis, G. Gullic.





DANCE BAND:

ROW 1: S. Martin, B. Willis, G. Peterson, T. Novotny, T. Owens, A. Page. ROW 2: B. Lungford, K. Gillam, R. Loftain, J. Halberstadt, B. Kiburz, G. Luttinen. BACK ROW: W. Jackimczak, D. Smith.



BOTTOM ROW: S. Groley, J. Lape, A. Hornak, R. Herndon, B. DeBoe, J. Wagoner, A. Snimniaki, L. Pagel, L. Magee, L. Searer, C. Wood, N. Lahmes, B. Rhodes, L. Kissinger 2nd ROW: P. Maywald, V. Nichols, S. Hirnlella, P. Lewin, A. Paine, C. Smith, D. Lowell, D. Fredley, S. Lobody, B. Putz, P. Fedorchak, R. Clark, M. Clarke, D. Burdan, S. Gustafson, L. Layman 3rd ROW: S. Foeley, B. Mahny, J. Custafson, L. Layman 3rd ROW: S. Foeley, B. Mahny, J.

Bley, C. Bookwalter, B. White, J. Holloman, D. Lines, B. Sherily, A. Bodak, R. Shepitka, K. Halstead, C. Lisman, O. Hegedus, K. Gott, N. Maier, 4th ROW: L. Bewick, L. Cook, L. Mellinger, S. Salmon, L. Rewerts, T. Vendl, D. Olton, J. Cook, G. Halbertadt, L. Mack, C. Maxwell, T. Zuccolato, A. Nelson, L. Ashley, S. Hull.

Choir Raises Voices

The choral dept. under the able direction of Mr. Jerauld Reinhart completed a successful year with the annual Spring Concert. The Choirs joined with the band for the final concert for the year.

The year was begun with the choirs and band wishing the people of the community "Season's Greetings."

Members of the choirs participated in the district contest for vocalists at Lew Wallace High School. All those who received first place competed at Butler University, in Indianapolis, on a state-wide basis.

The Senior Concert Choir performed with the band in the band's Winter Concert. The Concert Choir also performed with the choirs from five other schools. Each choir sings a few selections, then all choirs combine to sing songs selected by the directors "en mass."

This year, for the first time, the choirs presented a program for the Junior High.

A member of the Senior Concert Choir should have one year of experience in another Glee Club, but this is a flexible rule.

The Vocalteens, a group of sixteen girls and boys, and the Velvateens, seven girls, entertain at private parties and gatherings. To be a member of either of these groups, one must audition before Mr. Reinhart and the present members of the group. The members then vote on those trying out, and Mr. Reinhart takes this vote into consideration as he decides.

The choirs sponsored the North Texas State Concert Choir's visit to Merrillville and their concert here.



Girls' Glee Club

Velvateens: l. to r. S. Croley, M. Clarke, S. Hintella, L. Mellinger, R. Herndon, L. Searer, (not pictured) Betty DeBoe.



Vocalteens: BOTTOM ROW

— B. Rhodes, C. Lisman, S.
Gustafson, J. Bley, B. White,
D. Burdan, A. Hornak, J.
Lape. 2nd ROW — R. Clark,
R. Fedorchak, K. Halsted.
3rd ROW — C. Maxwell,
J. Holloman, B. Putz, D.
Olson, A. Bodak.





Mrs. Lynch, Director; Jean Rainford, Business Manager.

Juniors Mrs.

This year the Junior class presented the play Mrs. McThing. It was a story of Mrs. Howard V. Larue, a very rich and pompous woman. In the course of the story Mrs. Larue angers Mrs. McThing by not letting her son, Howie, play with Mrs. McThing's daughter, Mimi. For spite Mrs. McThing substitutes a "stick" or a perfect likeness of Howie for the boy and sends the real Howie to Shantyland Pool Hall.

FRONT ROW — C. Ackerman, S. Croley; SECOND ROW — P. Maywald, M. Kodyker, S. Vedo, J. Webster, S. Hintalla, J. Kelly, L. Ashley, THIRD ROW — T. Nelson,

L. Shipley, B. Bloom, B. Kiburz, P. Troup, T. Vendl, L. Luttinen, R. Fedorchak, M. Clark, L. Vlasic.



Present McThing

Here Howie becomes a member of the "mob."

As the story unfolds, it was shown how Mrs. Larue also came to live at Shantyland Pool Hall and how Howie and his mother finally were allowed to return home.

The play was under the able direction of Mrs. John Lynch.



Judy Kelly gets last minute make-up from Jean Rainford.

Cast

Mrs. Howard Larue Sue Vedo
Howie Larue Cal Ackerman
Carrie (the maid) Janet Webster
Sybil (the maid) Martha Clark
Evva Lewis Leslie Ashley
Maude Lewis
Grace Lewis Lorraine Vlasic
Nelson (the bodyguard) Thom Vendl
Ellsworth (the chef) Gail Luttinen
Virgil (the waiter) Ron Fedorchak
Dirty Joe Bob Kiburz
Stinker Phil Troup
Poison Eddie Schellenbach Bob Bloom
Mimi Sue Croley
Policemen Tom Nelson
Larry Shipley
Mrs. McThing Sue Hintalla
Judy Kelley

"Would you like me to escort you to a streetcar, Madam?"





And a good time was had by all.



Many Christmas presents were donated for needy children.

Bob Sheridan had just heard the music at the Christmas dance.



M.H.S. Celebrates Christmas

Through the joint efforts of the Senior Hi-Y and the National Honor Society, this year's Christmas Dance was a success.

On December 15, 1962, the Englehart Gym became a Winter Paradise, as couples danced to the music of the Lancers.

As part of the admission, each couple was asked to bring a gift to a needy child and the gifts were later distributed by the Hi-Y.

The Christmas Spirit was shared by all who went to this annual semi-formal dance.



Tina Zuccolotto Senior Candidate



Athletic Ball Queen Susie Larson Junior Candidate



Marlene Gransinger Sophomore Candidate

Spring Brings Athletic Ball

Sponsored by the Letterman's Association, the annual Athletic Ball was held on March 15 in a gaily decorated gym. Couples present danced to the music of Vito Manno. The climax of the evening came when Susie Larson was crowned Athletic Ball Queen. The other candidates were Senior, Tina Zuccolotto, and Sophomore, Marlene Gransinger.

Vito Manno's smooth music made the Athletic Ball one of the most enjoyable semi-formal dances of the current season.





Seniors

Present

Barbara Allen, I'll alus love ya.



Play cast poses for picture at nightly rehearsal.

Business Manager, Paul Jones, and Lynnette Rewerts, Student Director discuss publicity with director, Mr. Yule.



Dark of

the Moon

This year the Senior Class presented "Dark of the Moon" by Howard Richardson and William Berney. Mr. Yule, the director provided valuable assistance, because he performed in the play in New York. Lynnette Rewerts, student director, and Paul Jones, business manager, aided Mr. Yule behind the scenes.

The story of "Dark of the Moon" is about John, a witch boy, who falls in love with Barbara Allen, a beautiful girl.

The Conjur Man agrees to make John a human if he marries Barbara. He can remain a human as long as Barbara remains faithful to him.

All works well, until the people in Barbara's town turn against John, and make Barbara marry Marvin Hudgens, thus breaking part of the bargain.

Barbara meets John once more. When she dies, John is changed back into a witch, and he forgets that Barbara Allen ever existed.

John	John Keaveney
Barbara	Shirlie Ritchie
Marvin Hudgens	Walter Jachimczak
Mrs. Allen	Judy Masteller
Mr. Allen	Ken Gillam
Floyd Allen	Chris Maxwell
Preacher Haggler	Lon Witter
Uncle Smelicue	Rich Hardt
Conjur Man	Phil Marshall
Conjur Woman	Karen Wesley
Dark Witch	Jo Anne Key
Fair Witch	Janice Novak
Hank	Charlie Deible
Miss Metcalf	Donna Thompson
Mrs. Summey	Sandy Smith
Mr. Summey	Terry Massey
Edna Summey	Barbara Roos
Mr. Atkins	Dave Hollingsworth
Mr. Bergen	John Holloman
Mrs. Bergen	Judy Bley
Ella Bergen	Cindy Ashton
Guitarist	Dale Olson



John Keaveny and Shirley Ritchie play the romantic leads.

"Dearly Beloved, we are gathered here today ... " Lon Witter marries leads, Shirley Ritchie and John Keaveney.





King, Queen, and attendants.

A Night in

Romantic

King Roger and Queen Donna reign over festivities.



For their Prom, the class of '63 chose the theme 'Romantic Rome.' The gym was decorated as an outdoor scene. In the center of the floor was a large white fountain with three tiers and fake water. On the walls were murals of Roman parks, buildings, and the Colosseum. Also, on one of the walls was mural consisting of alcoves with Roman statues. At the east end of the gym was a throne covered in purple and white stairs. This was surrounded by white stairs strewn with lavender flowers. The centerpiece and favors were purple and white lyres and golden goblets. The goblets also served as nut cups. The refreshments were punch and cookies laid out in banquet fashion.







Alcove off garden

A Roman Garden

Rome

Six sophomore boys and their dates served as slaves. In their purple and gold tunics, they were easily identified.

The music was provided by Buddy Presner. The song used in the theme was "Three Coins in the Fountain."

The crowning of the Prom Queen and King was held at ten o'clock. Roger Fieser and Donna Grant were crowned by Carol Mullen and Jeff Brugos, the senior class president and vicepresident.

The Grand March followed the crowning ceremony. Then the King and Queen danced in the circle formed by the parading couples.

The first prom to be decorated in the school colors, the dance proved to be very successful.



Fountain gives atmosphere



Mark Kucan, Crownbearer



Members of the Fine Arts Society — L. Witter, drama; A. Novak, art; K. Semokatis, Speech; B. Kiburz, Speech. Not pictured, Linda Severance, Art.



"I should like to point out . . . "

GRAND FENWICK DECLARES WAR ON UNITED STATES.

Fine Arts: Special Club

The Fine Arts Society is a small but select club. The membership is limited to 18 students. A maximum of 3 students from each section of the fine arts may be appointed. Members are chosen by the instructor or sponsor of the section in question. Those chosen must show proof of ability in the fine arts by presentation of work in front of a public audience.

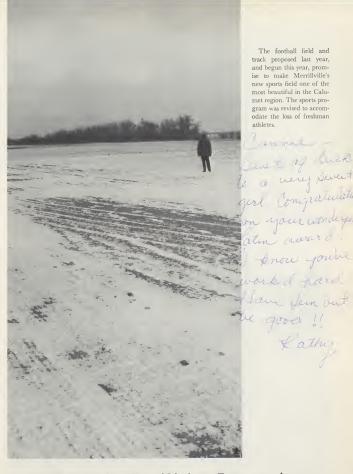
Membership in this society is that of honor. Duties of members are restricted to that of upholding the motto of the society; "To thine ownself be true."

Sophomore Play Returns to M.H.S.

The Sophomore play was entitled, "The Mouse That Roared." The setting is in a mythical kingdom, Grand Fenwick, Because it is mythical, symbolism was used in the setting by cleverly arranging varied colored boxes to represent the castle, the lab, and the White House.

After the climax of the play it is clear to see how a country only 5 miles long and 3 miles wide became a mouse that roared provide.





Athletic Facilities Improving



TOP ROW - Mgr. Brian Lunsford, George Gilrowski, Marvin Martinez, Terry Massey, Pete Uremovich, Mark Johnston, Tom Steiner, Ken Luedtke, Dale Lollis, Al Schmidt, Bill Jacobs, John Keaveney: SECOND ROW -Wayne Monroe, Dave Rosenbalm, Jerry Zeha, Ron Clark, Bill Frank, Fred Maihofer, Dave Hollingsworth, Roger

Johnson, Mike Bikoff, Howard Gearhart, Dave Chumbler, Roger Fieser: FIRST ROW - Bruce Reibly, Jerry Knaga, Bill Rimer, Tom Nichols, Jim Vargo, Denny Eaton, Marty Traber, Al Hoffman, John Shipley, John Holloman, Al Day.

Pirates Take Seven . . . Drop Three

The football fans of the Merrillville area were given all that they could possibly ask for with the fine performance of the Merrillville Pirates. The hard work of the team, the advice of Coaches Demarce, Patz, and Armontrout; and the solid backing by the Merrillville fans put the pirates into a two-way tie for second place in the Calumet conference.

A 12 to 6 victory over the Calumet Warriors was the first of the Pirates' 7 wins. In the second game on the schedule the Pirates received their first of two conference defeats of the season.

With the next game, against Lowell, the Pirates started a string of Calumet Conference victories that continued to the last game of the season. After Wirt and Dyer were defeated, the Buccs went on to show not only a sound offense, but also a powerful defensive unit by rolling over the East Gary Eagles 33-0.

The Highland Trojans were flooded twice on the night of the Homecoming game - once by the rain and once by the Pirates. Merrillville took this one, 13-0, to put Highland out of contention for the Calumet Conference Championship.

The Pirates played to their second loss of the season against rival Andrean. In the final game of the year the Buccs were defeated by Griffith. This dropped the Pirates to second place in the conference - behind the Portage Indians.

SCOREBOARD				
N	iHS Op	p		
Calumet	12	6		
Portage*	12 2	21		
Lowell*	19 1	3		
Crown Point	27	6		
Wirt*	19	6		
Dyer*	13	6		
East Gary*	33	0		
Highland*	13	0		
Andrean	7 2	.7		
Griffith*	7 1	4		

^{*} Calumet Conference Games

Pirates Tie for Second in Calumet Conference . . . Defeat Rival Bulldogs



Head Coach: Richard Demaree, Assistant Coaches: Lafey Armontrout and Don Patz.

Mark Johnston receives midgame coaching from Mr. Armontrout.





Offensive Line-up, from left to right: Dave Hollingsworth, Howard Gearhart, Alan Day, Roger Fieser, Tom

Stiener, Pete Uremovich, George Gilrowski, Mark Johnston, Bill Frank, Dave Rosenbalm, Ken Leudtke.



Pirate Co-captains: Pete Uremovich, the first Merrillville football player to ever be chosen to the first string All-State team, and Roger Fieser.



"What do we do now, Coach," asks George Gilrowski to Coach Demaree.

Defensive Line-up, from left to right: John Whetsel, Pete Uremovich, Tom Stie Bruce Reibly, Dale Lollis, John Holloman, Roger Fieser, Frank, Jerry Zeha, Jerry Knaga.

Pete Uremovich, Tom Stiener, Fred Malhoffer, Bill





Touchdown in the making.

Reserve Scoreboard

Opp.	M.H.S
Portage 19	0
Lowell	2
Calumet 7	6
Wirt 20	24
Dyer 15	14
East Gary 21	20
Chesteron 12	6
Griffith 6	6

Reserves Have Losing Season

The Merrillville reserves under a new head coach, Don Patz, had a very unsuccessful season with a 1—6—1 record. The team with a lot of sophomore material moved up to the varsity, leaving the little Pirates with last years freshmen second-string team.

The importance of a well-trained reserve team is obvious. These boys will be trained to take over the varsity along with the help of the veteran varsity boys from the previous season.

The strength of the future varsity depends not on whether or not the reserves won or lost, but how they were coached. Don Patz, the head coach of the reserves this year, has worked with Mr. Demaree in the training of the varsity. He knows exactly what to train them for and how to overcome weaknesses in the varsity team.





Cross Country Team, TOP ROW (l. to r.) K. Castald, M. Kelly, D. Stockler, R. Harter, B. Sobat, J. Metcalf, J. Coster, MIDDLE ROW - J. Rudd, R. Zellers, B. Kiburz, M. Ackerman, B. Lavery, J. Waters, R. Levy. FRONT ROW - G. Luttinen, C. Ekaitis, J. Aeschliman, D. Engelhart, J. Nichols, D. Brush.

Pirate Harriers Improve

Scoreboard

Sept. 13 Hobart 19, Griffith 63, Merrillville 65

- 14 Merrillville 23, Lowell 32
- 18 Crown Point 15, Merrillville 53,
 - 24 Merrillville 23, Andrean 40 27 Portage 25, Merrillville 36, Dyer
- Oct. 2 Calumet 21, Chesterton 34, Mer
 - rillville 84, Lowell 106
 - 3 River Forest 21, Merrillville 34 9 Merrillville 29, Edison 30, East
 - Gary 70
- 11 Merrillville 29, Highland 32 Hobart Invitational - Merrillville placed 15th out of 24
- South Bend Invitational Merrillville placed 7th out of 18.

This year's cross country team, under the able coaching of Lloyd Ahlbrand, improved greatly over last year's team. They lost no lettermen through graduation, but 1961 record setter, Russ Clark, moved to Minnesota.

The Pirates finished in the same place in the Calumet Conference this year that they did last year, in sixth place out of twelve teams; but they finished 13 places ahead of last year's mark by racking up an eighth place position in the sectionals, where 24 teams participated.

Jim Aeschliman set a new school record for the 2mile course in the triangular meet with Portage and Dyer by crossing the finish line after 10 minutes, 10 seconds of running. He chopped 9 seconds off Russ Clark's old record of 10 minutes, 19 seconds.

The harriers opened the season slowly, but gradually gained speed as the weeks went on. They lost their first meet to Hobart and Griffith, but picked up fast as they whipped the Red Devils of Lowell by a 23-32 score in their next match.

By the end of the season the Pirates had beaten eight teams and had lost to seven, not including the invi-

One of the outstanding harriers for the team was sophomore Roger Levy, who placed first for the Pirates in both the Calumet Conference meet and the Gary area sectional meet.

Cross Country
Team Finishes
Sixth in the
Conference,
Eighth in the
Sectionals



Cross Country Coach, Lloyd Ahlbrand, with his Co-Captains, Dick Engelhart and Jim Nichols.

Lettering Harriers, left to right: Jim Rudd, Gail Luttinen, Jim Aeschliman, Jim Nichols, Dick Engelhart, Roger Levy, Doug Brush, Clay Ekaitus.





Varsity Wrestling; FRONT ROW, left to right: Randy Gill, Sammy Kim, Scott Patellis, Mgr. Tom Novotny, Al Bodak, Tommy Kim, Mike Yelachich. BACK ROW: Roger Fieser, Jerry Wojahn, Tom Martin, Bill Frank, Gregg Johnson, Coach Jim Kaiser, Keith Freidland, Jim Vargo, Joe Jones, Mike Dugle, Denny Eaton.

Grapplers Struggle Through Losses



Grappler Denny Eaton attempting a sit-out from Roger Fieser.

Reserve Wrestling; KNEELING, left to right: Bill Kesler, Joe Coster, Kerry Halsted, Mike Yaros, Pat Miller, Bob Johnson, Tom Nelson, Nick Bella. The Pirate grapplers finished their worst season in Merrillville wrestling history with a 1 and 6 won-lost record. The Buccs' lone victory came against the Eagles of East Gary, 27—14, in the last meet of the season.

The Pirates finished ninth out of eleven in the Calumet Conference, finishing ahead of East Gary and Chesterton. The champions were the Lowell Red Devils.

Sammy Kim, Denny Eaton, and Tom Martin were leading wrestlers, each getting at least a third place in the Crown Point sectionals. Eaton will be the only one returning to wrestle next year.

The 1962-63 season was a rebuilding one for the Pirates. Next year will show the results of the efforts made by new wrestling coach, Jim Kaiser.

STANDING: Coach Jim Kaiser, Mgr. Tom Novotny, Tom Murry, Craig Johnson, Bob Kaser, Fred Maihoffer, Ray Loftain, Charlie Deible, Gary MacPherson.





Varsity Basketball, left to right: Bob Lavery, Jim Aeschliman, Dick Englehart, Bob Gay, John Whetsel, Tom Steiner,

Al Thuren, Mike Halsted, Ken Leudtke, Pete Uremovich, Jim Nichols, Dave Rosenbalm.

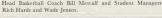
Merrillville Pirates . . . Calumet Conference Co-Champions, 9 and 1

Behind the coaching of Bill Metcalf, the Pirate roundballers led the Calumet Conference all through the season, and finally came up with a 9 and 1 record that was good enough to bring home the second Calumet Conference Championship in as many years. Again, though, it was a co-championship shared with the Panthers of Griffith, the only conference team to beat the Pirates.

The Buccs started the season with narrow victories over Calumet and Portage. In their fourth game, they suffered their first loss to independent Hobart. After winning two conference battles the Pirates entered the Lake County Tourney with a 5 and 1 all game record only to be set back by Griffith in the initial round.

Winners in the tournament, Bulldogs of Crown Point, received a 16 point thumping from the fired up

Head Basketball Coach Bill Metcalf and Student Managers Rich Hardt and Wade Jensen.





Pirates. In their second meeting of the year, the Griffith team again defeated the Buccs. The Pirate five followed this, their third loss of the year, with a string of eight victories, that included the seasons highest score, a 79 against the one time conference threat, Edison, who scored but 57 in this game, the last of the Pirates win streak. After faltering before the Redskins of Knox, the Buccs won their last game of the regular season by clipping the wings of the East Gary Eagles, a Calumet Conference team.

Not including the Gary sectionals, in which Merrillville was matched against Wirt, the Pirates finished the season with an all game mark of 15 wins and 4 losses, one of the most successful campaigns in Merrillville history.

"Get in there and tell them to speed it up, John," says Coach Metcalf to John Whetsel.





Reserve Basketball; KNEELING, left to right: Wayne Monroe, Joe Bova, Mike Williams, Mike Kelley, Jerry Knaga, STANDING: Jerry Fox, Howard Gearhart, Bill Franzen, John Lines, Mike Froge, Jeff Fox, Kim Lyons.

Reserves Successful: 13 Wins, 5 Losses

The little Pirates finished the 1962-63 basketball season with an outstanding 13 and 5 won-lost record. An 8 and 2 record for Calumet Conference games was good enough to got them in second place, behind only undefeated Edison

Coach Lloyd Ahlbrand's cagers were led by center Al Schmidt and back-court man, Mike Kelley. Schmidt ended the season as top scorer with 293 points, an average of 16.2 per game.

The wee Buces started the season slowly, losing their first 3 of 5 games. They followed this with a five game win streak that ended at Renssalaer. Another win streak was started — this one lasting four games, and being terminated by the Blazers of Edison. The reserves closed the season with their highest scores of the year. They defeated Knox, 66-53, and East Gary, 73-47.

Reserve Basketball Coach Lloyd Ahlbrand, and student manager Bill Kissenger.





A reserve game scramble.

Top-scoring, top-rebounding reserve player Al Schmidt.







Half time for the Pep Block.

A moment of tension for the Pirate fans.

Varsity Scoreboard			
	O	op.	M.H.S.
Calumet		53	54
Portage		52	53
Hammond Tech		42	55
Hobart		67	63
Highland		48	63
Chesterton		57	67
Holiday Tourney			
Griffith		44	40
Crown Point		53	69
Griffith		72	53
North Judson		46	56
Dyer		52	75
Renssalear		59	74
Wirt		42	52
Lowell		55	74
Culver Military		60	62
Emerson		57	73
Edison		57	79
Knox		47	42
East Gary		48	58
15 Wins, 4 Losses			

Reserve Scoreboard					
	Эрр.	M.H.S.			
Calumet	. 35	32			
Portage	29	45			
Hammond Tech	. 46	44			
Hobart	. 31	47			
Highland	41	37			
Chesterton	. 28	43			
Crown Point	. 45	64			
Griffith	. 44	50			
North Judson	45	57			
Dyer	. 38	55			
Renssalear		39			
Wirt	. 22	47			
Lowell	. 40	42			
Culver Military	. 25	47			
Emerson		43			
Edison	. 48	39			
Knox	. 53	66			
East Gary	. 47	73			
13 Wins, 5 Losses					

Two points from a layup by Bob Gay.

Griffith Panthers fail to block a shot by Pirate Dick Englehart.











Returning Lettermen & Track Stand-outs; KNEELING left to right: Jerry Zeha, Ken Leudtke, Tom Martin, Rick Kallenbach, Ron Clark, Jerry Fox, Howard Gearhart.

STANDING: Coach Jim Dinsmore, Roger Fieser, Bob Hayes, Jerry Knaga, Jim Aeschliman, Gail Luttinen, Roger Levy, Doug Brush, Coach John Stefek.

Graduation Hurts Thinclads,

Some of Merrillville's finest tracksters, Tom Workman, Lee Klausman, Don Litherland, Bill Smith, and Jeff Brugos, were lost through graduation. These boys alone scored better than half of the 1962 team's points. This year should prove then, to be a building year for Coach John Stefek's thinclads.

Only nine track lettermen are returning, but to help in the distance running are some cross country

Underclassmen; FRONT ROW, left to right: Steve Sobat, Tom Murray, Joe Bova, Ken Castaldi, Mike Kelley, Gary Hill, Dave Lollis, Mike Jergens. MIDDLE ROW: Manager Jim Pintar, Jeff Fox, Tom Nichols, Fred Maihoffer, Bill Putz, Larry Scheub, Mike Ackerman, Charlie Deible, Bill Franzen, lettermen coming out for track. Among the returning track lettermen are this year's co-captains — Bob Hayes and Ken Leudtke. Four other seniors, Roger Fieser, pole vaulter; Tom Martin, shot putter; Pete Uremovich, hurdler; and Jerry Zeha, 440-runner, and junior Rick Kallenback, and sophomores Jerry Fox and Jerry Knaga are the other seven lettermen returning to the '63 team.

Roger Zellers. LAST ROW: Manager Paul Jones, Al Bodak, Rich Shearer, Roger Farrington, Denny Eaton, Dave Stockler, Mike Williams, John Shipley, James Harter, Jim Castaldi, Manager Rich Hardt.





Sprinter and Co-captain Bob Hayes.



Hurdler and Co-captain Ken Leudtke.

But Underclassmen Are Strong

The encouraging factor for the coaches, Stefek and Jim Dinsmore, is that last year's freshmen were the best in Merrillville track history. They won over a very strong field the Griffith invitational meet for freshmen.

The 1963 squad will be trying hard to improve on last year's record of 7 wins and 2 losses in regular sea-

son Calumet Conference competition. They'll also be working towards an improvement over last year's 7th place in the Calumet Conference meet. It shouldn't be too difficult, if one stops to think that is the worst placing since track was revitalized at Merrillville in

Relayman Pete Uremovich.



Pole Vaulter Roger Fieser.





Varsity Baseball Team, from left to right, FRONT ROW: Holloman, Rick Schmidt, Bob Kiburz, John Whetsel, Bob Gilrowski, Joe Coster, Rodney Shepitka, Lon Witter, Mar- Lunsford and Ray Loftain. vin Martinez; BACK ROW: Coach Metcalf, John

Alan Day, Bob Lavery, John Boniac, Jim Nichols, George Gay, Jack Underwood, John Benton, Managers Brian

Baseball Lettermen Return

The 1963 Pirates should prove to be as good as or better than last year's successful baseball team.

Helping the '63 Pirates to victories will be eight returning lettermen. Three of those lettermen were last year's top sluggers: Bob Gay was the leader with a .343 average; Alan Day was second; and Lon Witter, third.

The 1963 season will show not only experienced batting, but also experienced pitching with hurlers like Rick Schmidt, Bob Gay, and Mark Johnston. So, all in all, Coach Metcalf's 1963 team should turn out to be a very fine ball club.

Varsity Scoreboard

	Opp.	M.H.S
Crown Point	1	4
Hobart	2	11
Horace Mann		7
Lew Wallace		2
East Gary		Ō
Edison	6	3
Wirt		4
Griffith		4
Lowell		4
Calumet		2
Roosevelt	6	ñ
Portage		3
Chesterton	3	8
Crown Point	4	2
Highland		15
Dyer		3



Pirate Batteries: Pitcher Rick Schmidt, Catcher John Whetsel, Pitcher Bob Gay.

"If I had a ball, George, you'd be out," says outfielder Jim Nichols.



Reserve Scoreboard

	Орр.	M.H.S
Crown Point	. 4	3
Dyer	. 3	5
Calumet	7	4
Griffith	8	5
Lowell	13	1



Sophomore members of the Reserve Baseball team, BOTTOM ROW: Jim Tuminello, Jeff Fox, Bill Kissinger; TOP ROW: Coach Ahlbrand, John Lines, Mike Frogge, Joe Halaschak.

The little Pirates had a very unsuccessful season with a 1 and 5 record. The Pirates were under the supervision of Lloyd Ahlbrand who was hindered by the number of unqualified players who went out for the team.

Their single win came against Dyer when the Pirates beat them 3 to 5. The Pirates almost beat the Crown Point Bulldogs, but they were edged out by a score of 3 to 4.

This year the team will be experienced as all the freshmen from the previous year will be back to help Coach Ahlbrand have a winning year.

The importance of a good reserve baseball team is the same as every other reserve team, that is to strengthen future varsity squads.

The reserve coach worked hand and hand with the varsity coach to improve the varsity's weaknesses.

Merrillville Sluggers: Alan Day, John Holloman, Jim Nichols, Lon Witter, George Gilrowski.











Coach Carl Hutchison

Al Thuren

Pete Mudrich

Jim Dobis

Golf Scoreboard

M.H.S.	Horace Mann W	4
M.H.S.	 Lowell W	(
M.H.S.	 Dyer Lo	c
M.H.S.	Highland Lo	
M.H.S.	Edison W	(
M.H.S.	Highland Le	a
	Roosevelt W	
M.H.S.	Crown Point Le	C
M.H.S.	Wirt W	(
M.H.S.	Andrean W	(
M.H.S.	Crown Point Lo	
M.H.S.	Griffith Le	
M.H.S.	East Gary W	c
	. Lowell W	(
M.H.S.	Portage W	c
M.H.S.	Andrean W	C

Golfers Try to Improve on 10 and 6 Season

Along with baseball and track, golf makes the spring sport picture complete at M.H.S. The Pirate golfers, led by Mr. Hutchison, have their work cut out for them competing in the tough Calumet Conference. Last season, they had a very respectable record of ten wins and only six losses.

This year, with six returning lettermen, Al Thuren, Pete Mudrich, Jim Dobis, Jerry Gaede, Gary MacPherson, and Steve Rempis, the Pirate drivers should prove to be a serious Conference contender.

Jerry Gaede

Steve Rempis

Gary MacPherson

Joe Driscoll











With the absence of a freshman class, the clubs have profited in many ways. This year, clubs may participate in more activities and concentrate on these activities. The club sponsors have more opportunity to give individual students attention and guidance.

Clubs Have New Interests



Pep Club gives moral support to the team.

Pep Club Full of School Spirit

The purpose of the Pep Club is to support the school in athletic contests and to promote school unity, backing, and good sportsmanship.

This year the Pep Club elected representatives from

each class to act in the capacity of officers. They were, Toni Siminski, senior; Kathy Primich, junior; and Marlene Gransinger, sophomore.

Homecoming game,
A-a-a-a-a-a-h BOOM!! The Pirates kick off!! Christmas tourney.

The Pep Club bought purple and white shakers and used them effectively in their cheering at the Homecoming game, the basketball games, and at the Chairman terrange.





TOP ROW J. Debis, K. Luedtke, D. Lellis, A. Thuren, M. Johnston, Mr. Engelhart, Sponsor; SECOND ROW — T. Martin, T. Steiner, R. Schmidt, R. Kallenbach: THIRD ROW F. Maihofer, J. Knaga, J. Whetsel, J. Zeha: FOURTH ROW S. Patellis, A. Day, J. Keaveney, J. Holloman, D. Engelhart: FIFTH ROW — J. Nichols, P. Uremovich, R. Fieser, D. Rosenbaum, G. Gilrowski.

Merrillville Boys Proud of """

The Letterman's Club is made up of athletes from each of the sports Merrillville offers. It strives to promote good sportsmanship, clean living, and participation in athletics. To be admitted to this club, one must have earned two major letters in one or more sports.

The biggest activity the club sponsors is the Athletic Ball, which is always one of the greatest crowd-drawing semi-formals of the year.

TOP ROW — Roger Fieser, Pres.; Dave Rosenbaum, Vice Pres.; SECOND ROW — George Gilrowski, Sec.; Jim Nichols, Treas.; Pete Uremovich, Sgt. at Arms.





The G.A.A. is one of the largest and most popular clubs.

G.A.A. officers are: $TOP\ ROW$ — D. Zimny, Vice-President; Miss Goodrich, Sponsor; L. Mellinger, Secretary; K. Catlow, Social Chairman; A. Novak, President; S. Wagner, Treasurer; G. Kwolek, Sports Chairman.



GAA Members Active

The intramurals were the main activity of the G.A.A. this year. The girls chose teams and were offered a wide variety of sports to participate in. Tournaments were held and the winning teams were awarded. A special activity was held each month in addition to the intramurals. A picnic and an ice show were among these activities.

The girls again this year had a Mother and Daughter Recreation Night. In December the club spread the joy of Christmas to the sick through caroling. A Play Day, participation in a sport at a college, was another activity enjoyed by the club. The main moneymaking project for the G.A.A. was the turn-about held in the spring. The year ended on its usual note with the annual banquet. Awards were given to the outstanding girl athletes. Miss Goodrich sponsored the G.A.A. again this year.



Donna Grant



Eloise Malizzo



Tina Zuccolotto

Cheerleaders Inspire Team



Janet Hacker





Sandy Grant





Val Domianus







BOTTOM ROW — Mrs. Kirland, Jan Novak, Vice Pres; Judy Wagoner, Pres.; Deanna Pagel, Sec.; Pam Lewin, Trea.; Mrs. Seale. BACK ROW — Barbara Rhodes, Songleader; Harriet Nikisth, Parliamentarian; Donna Fischer, Editor; Ruth Seale, Historian; Lynn Layman, Projects Chairman.

The F.H.A. under the supervision of Mrs. Seale and Mrs. Kirtland, began the year by receiving third place in the Homecoming float competition.

New members were initiated into the club at a formal candlelight ceremony in the fall. Among the activities of the F.H.A. were the spring and fall district meetings and the state meeting held later in the year. Food and toys were collected by the girls at Christmas and were given to needy families in the community.

The club took on an even bigger project than ever before this year by supporting seven orphans. During F.H.A. week the girls served breakfast to the faculty. The main money-making project for the F.H.A. was the Sweetheart Dance held in February. The year came to an end with the initiation of new officers and the senior farewell.

Homemakers Prepare for Future

BOTTOM ROW — Mrs. Scale, S. Orelup, B. Rhodes, D. Orosz, E. Kwasny, R. Seale, G. Kwolek, R. Sherrington, J. Marx, S. Damaskos, J. Novak, Mrs. Kirtland. ROW 2 — D. Griffin, J. Wallace, K. McLean, K. Adams, P. Reibly, J. Adams, T. Siminski, J. Chestovich, M. Dage, S. Stower, S. Stower, S. Griffin, J. Wallace, M. Stower, S. Stower,

ROW 3 — L. Leith, S. Ballarino, P. Lewin, L. Cooper, L. Layman, J. Wagoner, J. Tubich, M. Rosenbaum, C. Shults, J. Shawver. ROW 4 — L. Markovich, D. Fischer, N. Walters, J. Gaines, L. Vlasic, K. Tubich, C. Miklos, A. Wierman, S. Hull, D. Paæel, J. Webster.





TOP ROW — F. Maihofer, J. Daniel, D. Thompson, L. Rewetts, D. Niksch, A. Novak, D. Pendleton: THIRD ROW — P. Beasley, D. Harlow, K. Kucan, P. Heisterburg, J. Webster, M. Gransinger: SECOND ROW — D. Har-

ris, S. Deaton, J. Nichols, J. Hacker, D. Rhode, S. Zart: FIRST ROW — M. Nelson, K. Nelson, R. Sedita, K. Wesley, Sponsor, Miss Leas.

Students Today Teachers Tomorrow

Officers: J. Daniel, Pres.; L. Rewerts, Treas.; Miss Leas, Sponsor; D. Niksch, Sec.; K. Wesley, V. Pres.



The Future Teachers of America club is an excellent organization for all students interested in a phase of the teaching profession. The sponsor of this club is Miss Leas.

The F.T.A. begins each year with a formal initiation of new members and installation of officers. They sponsor a Christmas party for the special education class at the Junior High. They continue in spreading "good cheer" by giving apples to the teachers on Valentine's Day.

The club attends the state and national conventions each year. They get a "bird's eye" view of their chosen profession when they have their teacher observation day. They also are presented with an opportunity to visit a chosen college.



TOP ROW — L. Carver, J. Whetsel, P. Uremovich, A. Thuren, M. Halsted, G. Lollis, K. Luedtte, P. Jones, B. Gay, THIRD ROW — J. Kustron, J. Holloman, C. Deidle, T. Martin, B. Jacobs, G. Gill, B. Frank, M. Traber, B. Putz, SECOM ROW — J. Aeschliman, R. Clark, M.

Martinez, J. Benton, A. Day, J. Castaldi, T. Nichols, C. Ekaitis, B. Mizera. $FIRST\ ROW\ -$ R. Hardt, B. Kesler, R. Shepitka, J. Bonick, G. Gilrowski, B. Reibly, J. Keaveney, J. Coster, sponsor Mr. Ahlbrand.

Senior Hi-Y & Build

The officers of the club are G. Gilrowski, B. Gay, sponsor Mr. Ahlbrand, P. Uremovich and J. Coster.



Under the capable direction of Coach Lloyd Ahlbrand, the Senior Hi-Y was again very active this year. On December 15, the club sponsored its annual Christmas Dance in the Engelhart Gymnasium. As customary, couples brought gaily wrapped gifts for distribution to needy children in the area.

In addition to the helpful services which they perform the boys participated in several recreational activities. Some of these included attending various athletic contests. The purposes of the Senior Hi-Y are to promote good sportsmanship, clean speech and living, to aid people in the community and to provide any services for the school. The same goals that the Senior Hi-Y strives for are also the aims of the Junior Hi-Y. With Coach Richard Demaree as their sponsor, the boys participated in several activities this year. In addition to attending the Michigan State vs. Northwestern game, the boys also attended a basketball game in the spring. The Hi-Y's main project for the year was to improve the trophy cases in the gymnasium lobby.

As has been traditional, the club bought trophies for the major sport award recipients, as well as presented them at their annual formal banquet in the spring. A sock-hop was their main money-making project.



The officers of the club are: W. Monroe, President; H. Gearhart, V. President; Mr. Demaree, Sponsor; R. Johnson, Treasurer; and A. Schmidt, Secretary.

Junior Hi-Y Character

FOURTH ROW — A. Schmidt, T. Shaffner, C. Dorety, M. Frogge, B. Ashley, J. Flora, K. Freidland, D. Sullivan, G. Gaede, R. Johnson; THIRD ROW — M. Ackerman, M. Bikoff, D. Eaton, F. Maihofer, H. Gearhart, B. Hintalla, M. Anderson, L. Harlow, A. Hoffman, B. Lundford; SECOND ROW — R. Farrington, R. Shearer, J. Fox, J.

Halaschak, S. Gay, T. Murray, D. Lollis, J. Key, F. Rongers, L. Mellinger; FIRST ROW — D. Witter, T. Nelson, G. Macpherson, D. Demmon, M. Kelly, W. Monroe, J. Bikos, J. Mundel, M. Yugo, B. Kissinger, Sponsor, Mr. Demarce





BOTTOM ROW: Miss Burrus, Sponser, M. Nelson, S. Smith, S. Haves, S. Zart, K. Nelson, R. Sedita, Mrs. Bovard, Sponsor. 2nd ROW: C. Bobbeck, G. Mohney, D.

Burdan, J. Wegman, C. Oosterof, M. Slosson. 3rd ROW: M. Twyman, S. Esposita, B. Willis, D. Eich, S. Folley, J. Wade, L. Layman.

"Others"



Lalani Kaznak is an honorary member of the club.

Officers:

Donna Burdan - President Becky Willis - Vice President Susan Hayes - Corresponding Secy. Jane McBrayer - Recording Secy. Diane Eich - Treasurer



The purpose of the Sunshine Society is to spread cheer. The sunshiners try to live by their motto "Others" in making their lives more useful in daily needs.

The members began the year with an impressive candlelight initiation of the newly enrolled members. The girls had entered a float in the Homecoming Parade and attended the District Convention in Brookston. They had dressed dolls contributed and distributed by the Salvation Army for the underprivileged children and went Christmas caroling at the Convalescent Home, Paramore Hospital, and Lake County Home. The money making projects of the club were a candy sale, bake sale and a sock hop. The Sunshine Society makes a yearly contribution to the Riley Hospital in Indianapolis for equipment and other needs of the children's ward.

The future activities of the Sunshine Club are a chili supper, Daddy-Date Night and a spring tea for the sunshiners and their mothers, at which time the new officers are installed.





R. Hansen, Pres.; Mr. Wooldridge, Sponsor; T. Bublitz, Vice-Pres.; M. Gook, Sec.; J. Nelson, Treas.

Audio-Visual Provides Music, Lighting, and Films for M.H.S.

The purpose of the Audio-Visual club is to provide music for lunch hour and Friday night dancing, to assist in sound and lighting for school musical and dramatic productions, and to construct audio-visual aids. Besides this, the club offers its services to clubs wishing to use the audio-visual's phonograph and record collection.

FRONT ROW: G. Halberstadt, D. Strong, J. Halberstadt, G. Cheney, M. Foster. BACK ROW: R. Hansen, J.

The club members, however, mix pleasure with business. Field trips as well as dances fill out their yearly activity list. They went to a radio station and McCormick Place on field trips this year.

Enrollment in an audio-visual class is the sole requirement for membership. The club's sponsor is Mr. Velven Wooldridge.

Groell, Mr. Wooldridge, J. Nelson, C. Smith, T. Bublitz, M. Cook, L. Brakley, D. Sullivan, E. Watterson.





FIRST ROW: P. Maywald, M. Raduenz, L. Todd, R. Gill. SECOND ROW: C. Fox, L. Vlasic, J. Rainford, M. Markancek, J. Kiburz, K. Semokaitis. THIRD ROW:

J. Driscoll, G. Mac Pherson, T. Nelson, B. Fitzgerald, S. Vedo, K. Catlow. FOURTH ROW: J. Lines, T. Vendl, B. Kiburz, G. Smith, D. Stockler, S. Vedo.

B. Kiburz, Vice-Pres.; K. Semokaitis, Treas.; T. Nelson, Sgt. at arms; C. Fox, Pres.; J. Rainford, Sec.



The goals for the speech club are to promote interest in speech, to further speech work, and to improve and expand the program of speech at the high school level. The club participated in the Ball State — State Contest, the Rotary Speech Contest, Crown Point Area Speech Conference, and the Voice of Democracy.

Many activities were sponsored by the Speech Club, such as the selling of candy, Christmas corsages, Prom pins, taffy apples, and peanuts. It cosponsored the annual Fine Arts Program.

To become a member, a person must have taken one year of speech. He must submit his name to Mr. Yule, the sponsor, and the members of the Club vote on his membership.



FRONT ROW — Pres. — Kathy Tubich, Sponsor — Mrs. Jeffries, Historian — Marlene Gransinger. BACK ROW — Vice Pres. — Yvonne Patellis, Publicity Chairman — Carol Miller, Treas. — Kathy Taylor, Secy. Diane Zimney.

One year of Spanish is the requirement for membership in Spanish club. Under the sponsorship of Mrs. Jeffries and the presidency of Kathy Tubich, the club participated in several activities this year.

For the student body, the Spanish Club held a sock-hop in the gym which was decorated in Spanish decor.

Their outside-activity was a bowling and pizza-party at the Merri-Bowl.

Ending the year traditionally the members held the annual Spanish banquet complete with Spanish food and costumes.

The purpose of the Spanish Club is to promote interest in the Spanish language, peoples, and countries.

Spanish Club Has Busy Year

FRONT ROW — D. Zimney, L. Villeriel, D. Roy, E. Mulesa, D. Rhode, R. Sherrington, M. Mahoney, N. Lahmers, J. Taylor, P. Freeman, Y. Patellis, E. Beluski, S. Zart, Mrs. Jeffries. SECOND ROW — W. Joshyn, M. Palruska, S. Gustafson, L. Vlasic, L. Mellinger, K. Taylor, M. Koedyker, S. Grant, J. Metcall, K. Castaldior, M. Koedyker, S. Grant, J. Metcall, K. Castaldion,

THIRD ROW — J. Fernandez, B. Sobat, M. Kelly, G. Herron, H. Nicsich, C. Miller, N. Mayer, N. Kelly, L. Cook, L. Bewick. FOURTH ROW — M. Anderson, A. Schmidt, J. Shawanik, F. Maihofer, B. Pendelton, R. Clark, S. Pike, K. Tubich, P. Beasley, M. Gransinger.





FIRST ROW: K. Halsted, J. Simpson, M. Hickman, C. Rivard, Miss Wolf. SECOND ROW: S. Hintalla, L. Orrell, B. Fitzgerald, C. Fotch, L. Brunmeier, S. Foley. THIRD ROW: R. Hardt, K. Primich, J. Rainford, R.

Farrington, S. Vedo, S. Petretta, B. Putz. TOP ROW: A. Nelson, W. Jensen, C. Fletcher, K. Lobsiger, J. Driscoll, M. Ackermann.

J. Rainford, Corr. Sec.; B. Putz, Vice-Pres.; C. Fletcher, Sec.; K. Halsted, Pres.; Miss Wolf, Sponsor; K. Primich, Treas.; R. Blaney, Sgt. at arms (not pictured).



As the German Club concluded its third year at M.H.S., under the guidance of Miss Wolf, the members of the club were again reminded of their goals. An understanding of the habits and customs of the German people was gained by discussions and studies of the German culture.

At the annual banquet, the members enjoyed native German food, sang German songs, while in native attire.

The only requirement for membership in German Club is that the members be enrolled in a German class, or have completed a year of German at some time.



The Latin Club has one of the school's largest memberships.

Latins Keep Dead Language Alive

The Latin Club again this year worked for the purpose of promoting the interest and knowledge in the classical languages. In the fall the initiation of new members was held during a candlelight ceremony. The different gods and goddesses and their symbols were represented.

The main activity for the year was the banquet held in the spring. The theme for this year's banquet was "The Underworld." New members were sold as slaves and the money received was put into the club's scholarship fund. The club is sponsored by Mrs. Collins.



TOP ROW: K. Gillam, Sgt. Arms; M. Markancek, Sgt. Arms; S. Vedo, Trea.; K. Semokaitis, Sec.; L. Severance, Pres.; Mrs. Collins, Sponsor; C. Deible, Vice Pres.



FIRST ROW: K. Gillam, G. Gullic, W. Jachimczak, P. Beaty, D. Thompson, B. Johnson, R. Wickburg, J. Kiburz, B. Willis. 2nd ROW: G. Cheney, J. Daniel, T. Bublitz, P. Troup, R. Hardt, J. Driscol, J. Halberstadt, H. Powers, B. Idzior.

The major activity for the Science Club this year was the rocket firing and most of the club's work centered on this. The club had a number of static firings and then they actually fired the rocket. This was the first year that girls joined the club. Some of the other activities were a dance and a float in the Homecoming Parade. The Science Club is under the supervision of Mr. Bock-stahler and Mr. Mathers.

Scientists Look Up to the Future

Ist ROW: B. Idizor, Vice Pres.; Sponsor, Mr. Mathers; W. Jachemzack, Pres. 3rd ROW: J. Kustron, B. Rice, J. Thrall, K. Luedtke, J. Roesing, P. Jones, J. Koves, F. Dragonowski, R. Hayes, S. Sealey. Sponsor: Mr. Mathers. TOP ROW: P. Beaty, Sec.; G. Gullic, Trea.; J. Kiburz, Sgt. at arms.





FIRST ROW: Lon Witter, Pres.; Mrs. Lynch, Sponsor; Charles Dieble, Vice-Pres. SECOND ROW: Lynnette Rewerts, Recorder; Loraine Vlasic, Sec.; Leslie Ashley, Trea



Thespians busily make last minute preparations for one of their "big nights."

Sponsored by Mrs. Agnes Lynch, Thespian Troupe 1692 is comprised of students who have at least ten points in dramatics, earned by either acting or working on a play committee.

Among some of the many successful activities of the year were the club's participation in the Calumet Drama Festival and their trip to a professional dramatic production.

FIRST ROW: J. Rainford, J. Masteller, R. Stefankiewicz, G. Luttinen, R. Wickburg, L. Vlasic, B. Bloom, C. Ackerman, S. Richie, S. Croley, Mrs. Lynch. SECOND ROW: L. Rewerts, L. Ashley, D. Thompson, M. Traber, B.

Climaxing this outstanding year was the annual spring banquet at which various awards were presented. Those included best actor and actress, best supporting actor and actress, best character actor and actress, best play, best sound effects and best setting.

The purpose of Thespians is to advance the standards of excellence in the art of drama.

White, L. Witter, J. Halberstadt, R. Hardt, C. Maxwell. THIRD ROW: S. Vedo, B. Kiburz, T. Bublitz, P. Jones, P. Troup, T. Vendle, C. Dieble, G. Cheney.





OFFICERS: J. Seale, Pres.; J. Daniel, Sec't.; J. Kiburz, Treas.; P. Jones, Vice Pres.; SPONSOR: Mr. Hutchison.



Intercom member, Leilani Kaznak, explains how she goes to school to fellow member, Ken Gillam.

Honor Society Leads School Scholastically

Membership in the National Honor Society is determined by scholarship, leadership, citizenship, character, and approval of the faculty.

Fifteen percent of the seniors, ten percent of the

TOP ROW — R. Jones, J. Halberstadt, P. Jones, A. Thuren, B. Kiburz, T. Stiener, R. Kallenbach, B. Gay, J. Seale, SECOND ROW — G. Luttinen, T. Nelson, G. Rainford, J. Daniel, J. Masteller, L. Vlasic, D. Niksch, S.

juniors, and five percent of the sophomores may become members. Activities include Awards Day, tutoring, and dance.

Gustafson, L. Witter, FRONT ROW — K. Wesley, H. Linkhart, C. Kucan, R. Sedita, S. Sheppard, J. Kiburz, L. Severence, P. Maywald, K. Senokaitis, Not Pictured — Leilani Kaznak, Ken Gillam.





TOP ROW — R. Clark, R. Fieser, R. Blaney, B. Putz, T. Stiener, B. Gay, SECOND ROW — K. Taylor, P. Heisterburg, M. Gransinger, J. Daniel, Y. Patellas, W. Johnson,

THIRD ROW — Officers: Sec't. S. Sheppard, Pres. P. Jones, Sponsor, Mr. Bovard, Vice-Pres. C. Dieble, Treas. K. Semokaitis.

School Policies Revolve Around s many duties as presi Student Council

Paul Jones performing one of his many duties as presi-



The business transacted in Student Council determines the conduct of many student affairs. Any student may become a candidate by a petition signed by ten classmates. Selection of the four representatives from each class is determined by class vote. Class presidents are automatic members. In addition to its governmental activities, the Council sponsors the annual Homemaking Parade, Casula and Dressup Days, and all-school programs.

Honorary Journalists

Form Quill and Scroll



L. to R. 1st ROW: C. Kucan, L. Rewerts, S. Sheridan N. Kaczmarek, J. Wagner, R. Stefankiewicz, J. Bley, M. Slosson. 2nd ROW: S. Sheppard, D. Niksch, D. Thomp-

son, P. Jones, J. Seale, K. Wesley, J. Marx, C. Deible, J. Halberstadt, L. Lieth, J. Key, C. Lisman.

Quill and Scroll is the International Honorary Society for high school journalists.

Each member of Quill and Scroll has been recommended by Mrs. Felling, sponsor of the club, and has been approved by the national society. Candidates for membership in this society must have demonstrated fully to the satisfaction of their staff adviser, the board of publications, or the school principal that they merit the award through high scholarship, journalistic achievement and service.

The purpose of the society is to encourage and reward individual achievement in journalism and allied fields.



With fewer students this year's teachers are more able to give pupils necessary individual instruction. New teachers bring new and fresh ideas into the curriculum, which results in a broadening scope being put before the students.

Changes Seen in Curriculum





In German Class, Miss Wolf and Dave Smith point out geographical points of interest.

Elaine Belusky, Marlene Gransinger, and Frank Rongers study the Spanish class mascot.

Language Students Learn Customs, Language, Culture

The Language Department of Merrillville High consists of German, Latin, and Spanish class.

In addition to learning the languages of the Germans Spanish, and the Romans, customs, geographical points, and cultures are studied.

The Latin department benefits by the use of records, while the Spanish and the German departments use tape recording and Pathescope Berlitz material.

As an additional aid, two language labs are to be added this year. As new strides are being taken in modern languages, oral work is being accentuated at Merrillville this year.

One added effort, which serves as both a recreational and academic activity is the annual banquet of each of these departments. Each serves the food of its respective land and eats in a room with its national decor. The members also dress in significant

All these efforts help to stir interest in subjects which are and will be forever increasing in importance in our world today, and all are essential in our future welfare.

Linda Severance, and Helen Linkhart admire Phil Troup's toga.





Sandy Messina watches Susan Esposita quiz Don Keegan on European countries.

The Social Studies department at Merrillville consists of world history, United States history, government and economics.

World history, taught by Mr. Demarce is the world and its important peoples. Mr. Talmadge and Mr. Davis, teaching U.S. history, describe the growth of our country. Mr. Armontrout teaches government, showing how American government works, and economics helps the individual understand the economics that affect his life.



Janice Kiburtz and Paul Jones study ballots during the primaries.

Juniors study United States history in Mr. Talmadge's room.





Sandy Nuzzo, Nadine Maier, and Rick Shearer practice language skills.

The English department of M.H.S. consists of the two required courses of English and the two electives, College Prep and Business English. Taking sentences apart, diagraming, and learning the fundamental rules of grammer are the main topics of study in the first two years. Literature includes the reading of Silas Marner and Julius Caesar. Business English is a fourth year course that deals with the basic principles of grammer. In College Prep, themes are written and also the well-known senior sonnets are composed. This is an excellent preparatory course for future college students.

English and Speech Teach Language Skills

Diane Olson learns the proper techniques of public speaking.





Editors and business managers of the journalism staff review their work.

Journalism offers training in newspaper and yearbook work. This course is not offered prior to the senior year; therefore, mistakes are certainly not unknown.

The staffs are divided into two separate groups, the Mirror staff and the Merrillvue staff. Each faction works to complete its own jobs but also assists the other. The very capable editors of the Mirror and the Merrillvue were Donna Niksch and John Halberstadt respectively. The business editors were Karen Wesley and Paul Jones. Under the direction of our editors the staffs learned to write stories, cut stencils, do headlines, write copy, and complete the initial production of a school paper and year-book.

Journalists Record Year

STANDING — Susan Sheppard, JoAnne Key, Claudia Lisman, Linda Leith, Nancy Kaczmarek, Donna Thompson, Charles Deidle, John Seale, Paul Jones, Ray Stefankiewicz, Judy Bley, Karen Wesley, Bonnie Thompson; SEATED (left to right) Carole Kucan, Donna Niksch, Judy Marx, Lynnette Rewerts, Judy Wagoner, Marcia Slosson, Sandy Sheridan, John Halberstadt.







Larry Lovall and Claudia Lismen study a Biology chart.

Jean Rainford, Tom Kim, and Sam Kim prepare a chemistry experiment.

Science Students Employ the Scientific Method

This year the science department consists of advanced biology, chemistry and physics.

Biology is a science dealing with the origin and life history of plants and animals. Chemistry is the study of the composition of substances; physics, is studying, scientifically, matter and energy.

Since there are no freshmen here this year, general biology was not offered.

Studies are not limited to class room work. Students experiment on their own to learn more about the wonders of science.



Russ Stickles and Janice Leach examine slides under the microscope.



Phil Marshall demonstrates how mechanical drawing uses many rules of math.



Claire Oosterhof and Ray Hrezo learn the uses and parts of a slide rule.

Math Courses Help Students Advance

The Mathematics department of M.H.S. is concerned with teaching not only how to solve problems, but also why we solve them as we do. In our math section there are numerous subjects, algebra, geometry, advanced algebra, trigonometry, and business math. First year algebra students learn the basic principles of algebra. Triangles, perpendiculars, and parallel lines are familiar to the geometry students. Advanced algebra delves further into algebra. Trigonometry is the highest level of math taught in Merrillville and combines both algebra and geometry. Business math teaches percentages and other facets of math used in business.



Pam Lyons and Howard Gearhart study geometrical forms.



Judy Marx learns to operate a Friden calculator in office machines.

Commercial Students Develop Typing and Machine Skills



The vocational business department at Merrillville High School is designed to aid students in their preparation for future occupations. Typing, shorthand, and bookkeeping are taught in the junior and senior years. One semester of training on various office machines is alternated with one semester of general clerical practice; a business math course is also offered. The office practice class receives training in typing stencils, tests, and announcements for the teachers. Students in office machines class learn the care and operation of seven different machines.

Honor certificates are given to students who attain certain speeds in shorthand, and there is a speed honor roll in typing.

Jim Metcalf develops typing skill through daily practice in Typing I.



Tom Martin works on the mural which is to be hung in the cafeteria.

Donna Niksch and Dan Etchison work on their sculpture in Art III.



Charlie Deible adds the finishing touches to a sculptured head.

Among the projects in which the art classes are engaged each year are abstract drawing, sand carving, and mosaics. Many students find working with clay their primary interest and develop their skill in making figurines and pottery. As each holiday season approaches, appropriate decorations are designed and created. As part of the course, students try block-printing and wood carving as well as still life and portrait sketching.

Annually Merriliville art students compete in a fashionsketching contest sponsored by Gordon's. This year's winner was Sandy Wiesman, a third year art student. A special project, a mural tracing the history of Merriliville, was completed by the art classes and hung in the cafeteria.





Sandy Searer, June Radinsky, Linda Deuberry, and Elizabeth Pizzolato put away their supplies.



Sally Tomasic works on her sewing project.

Home Ec Prepares Girls for Future Life.

Girls planning a career in home-making are encouraged to take one or all of the many home economics courses offered at Merrillville High School. Cooking, sewing, child care, home nursing, and interior decorating are studied and mastered.

Cooking students practice basic culinary skills

while next door the proper methods of cutting, assembling, and sewing garments are studied. Those students desiring extra-curricular activity in the homemaking field spend much time working with the F.H.A.

Carol Miller tries her hand at preparing a casserole.



Phys. Ed Classes Diminished

Health and safety is taught as a sophomore requirement. Good health practices, good driving habits, and emergency first aid rules are explained. Films, film strips, and plastic models are used to illustrate points. Many important rules are discussed to help Merrillville students practice good byeigne.

In the physical education classes this year there were only two boys' gym classes and one girls' gym class. This was due to the absence of freshmen in the high school. Basketball, volleyball, and baseball were only a few of the sports and activities practiced. Daily calisthenics were practiced because of the President's physical fitness plan.

Nancy Rogers and Connie Cunningham practice archery.



Val Domianus, Geneva Jones, and Peggy Hunt tee





Betty Newman, Janice Leach, Janet Berta, and Linda Hollard enjoy table tennis.



Mr. Kaiser shows Tom Harper how to raise the dents on his gunstock.

The shops, including metal, wood, electric, and auto mechanics, are regular classes. The boys are given certain assignments in their texts as in any other class. The only difference between their classes and others is that they work individually. After being given instructions, they are given projects to work on.

In metal shop they work in sheet metal, wrought iron, and in the molding of metals.

In wood shop they are taught how to square boards and plane and finish wood. Some of their projects are gun racks, jewel boxes, and tables.

Electric shop teaches the fundamentals of wiring. Students learn how to wire houses and appliances.

Auto mechanics is a course that teaches the repair and care of the automobile. It emphasizes preventive maintenance, periodic inspection, and service.

Dick Engelhart and Doug Herron solder an electric motor.

Ron Fedorchak uses the table saw in Wood shop.









Walt Jachimczak and Gary Gullic show the fact that there is no sound in a vacuum,

Pete Mudrich adjusts a metal lath in metal shop.

Shop and Driver's Training Prepare for Future

Future motorists John Kustron, Bonnie Thompson, Pam Reibly, and Paulette Stoltz learn proper driving practices from Mr. Englehart.







The band practices formations for half-time shows.

The bands entry in the annual Homecoming Parade.

Music Department Prepares for Shows

Leading Merrillville's annual Homecoming Parade, the Marching Pirate's began another successful year under the direction of Mr. Frank Meltzer. The band contributed an endless measure of spirit and support to the school. Comprising some of these efforts were the half-time performances of the Marching Pirates at the football games as well as the spirited playing of the Pop Band.

Trips to football games at Purdue and Northwestern as well as to the State Fair composed most of the band's recreational enjoyment. A smorgasbord dinner was the band's main money-making project for the vear.

Closing the year at the annual banquet at Teibel's, seniors were honored and received their gifts.

Graduation 1963 ended many senior's high school careers, as they played with the group for the last time.

Under the direction of Mr. Jerauld Reinhart, the choral department enjoyed a successful year. Opening the season traditionally, they presented their annual Christmas production "Season's Greetings." After many hours of practicing, members participated in the solo and ensemble contest, Held on February 2, Merrillville entered 25 solos and 13 ensembles. They co-produced the Winter concert with the band. Hobart was the site this year for the annual Chorale Festival in which our choir participated with groups from five other schools, including, Hobart, Highland, Crown Point, Calumet, and Griffith.

Äpril was the date of the Spring Concert, parts of which the choir presented to the Junior High School Students. Members of the Music department sold candy this year for the money-making project. The choral department consisted of the Concert Choir, the Senior Belles, the Velveteens, and the Vocal-teens. Closing the year at the banquet honoring Seniors, choir members and their parents saw a musical production in the auditorium after which the seniors were presented their gifts.

Lastly with other choir members, the seniors ended their high school singing career at their own baccalaureate exercises in May.



The Senior Choir spends many hours practicing and learning new songs.



The year of change can be seen readily in our student body and faculty. New faces were seen and new ideas proposed and discussed. The most striking difference this year, was the lack of a pow class, the freshmen.

No Freshman Class



CECIL TONAGEL holds the position of Township Trustee and is in his fourth year of office. He is responsible for directing the operation of Ross Township Schools. He also hires teachers, makes school improvements, and charts bus routes.



EDGAR MILLER is Supervising Principal at M.H.S. He received his B.S. from Central Normal and his M.S. from Indiana University, Mr. Miller has many duties including making school improvements, charting bus routes, and operates the cafeteria. He is married and has 2 children, Yvonne 31, and William 18.



HENRY WICHMANOWSKI has been the M.H.S. Principal 8 years. He received his A.B. in chemistry and philosophy from Marquette University and his M.S. in high school administration from Indiana University. He is married and has children, Mary 14, Stephen 12, and Henry 9. His hobbies are golf and bowling.



JAMES BOVARD has been Assistant Principal at M.H.S. 6 years, before which he taught government and economics for 5 years. He received his B.S. from Indiana University and his M.S. during the summer from Indiana University. His hobbies are reading and gardening, and he enjoys watching all sports.



ELLEN FRAZURE has been the secretary at M.H.S. for 16 years. She is married and has two daughters, Mrs. Sondra Saxton, and Mrs. Nancy Stringham. Her favorite hobbies are baking, sewing, collecting antiques, and taking care of her 6 grandchildren.

HELEN HAYDEN has been M.H.S. treasurer for 13 years. She has 2 sons, Major Col. O. M. Hayden and Paul B. Hayden. Her favorite hobby is traveling. Mrs. Hayden enjoys participating in bowling, and she enjoys watching football.



JEAN KALLENBACH has been the clerk at M.H.S. for 3 years. She is married and has two children, Rich 16, and Jack 11. Mrs. Kallenbach's hobbies are bowling and other sports. She enjoys participating in bowling and softball.







LLOYD AHLBRAND has taught at M.H.S. 4 years. He teachest yping, business math, physical education and coaches baseball and reserve baseletall. He received his B.S. from Valparaiso University in physical education and business. He is married and has two children, Deborah 3, and Lee 2. His hobbies are electronics and photography.

LAFEY ARMONTROUT has taught at M.H.S. 3 years. He teaches government and economics and is assistant coach for the varsity football team. He received his B.S. from Central College and his M.S. from Indiana University in physical education. His hobbies are sports, and reading.

HENRY BERGHERM has taught shop at M.H.S. 4 years. He received his B.S. in industrial education from Indiana State College. His hobby is reading. He likes to participate in bowling and enjoys watching football.







ROBBIE BOTHWELL has taught at M.H.S. II years, She teaches general business, and typing. She received her BA. from Valparaise University and M.S. from Indiana University and M.S. from Indiana University she is married and has a daughter. Debbie 7. Her hobby is reading. She likes to participate in bowling. And she enjoys watching basketball and base-ball.



GRACE BOVARD has taught at M.H.S. 15 years. She teaches short-hand and office practice. She received her B.S. in business administration during 4 summers. Her hobbies are traveling, playing the piano, and playing cards. She likes to participate in croquet, bowling, and miniature golf.







HELEN BRUNTON has taught at MHS. 8 years. She teaches book-keeping, typing, and office machines. She received her B.S. in girls' physical education, social studies, and business from Central Normal College, and her M.S. in business education from Indiana University. Her hobby is traveling. She likes to participate in golf and bowling.

LEONA BURRUS has been librarian at M.H.S. 4 years. She received her B.A. in biology, English, and social studies from Valparaiso University, her M.A. in English and education from Indiana State, and her library science license from Indiana University. Her hobbies include reading, sewing, record collecting, writing letters, and television.

IRENE COLLINS has toght Walls. 30 years, she teacher status and English. She received that A.B. from Valparaiso Undynative She is married and has a children, Martha 19-and Dennis its Her hobbies are the kiniting, randing, traveling, traveling, traveling, traveling, traveling, traveling, traveling and multi-She likes beat rowing and crought, and enjoys watching basket-ball.







JOHN DAVIS has taught at M.H.S. 5 years. He teaches world geography. He received his B.S. and M.S. from Purdue University. He is married and has a son, John 9. His hobbies are fishing, hunting, and travel. He likes to participate in bowling and golf. He enjoys watching football, basket-ball, and wrestling.

RICHARD DEMAREE has taught at M.H.S. for 17 years. He teaches world history and is coach of the varsity football team. He received his B.S. from Northwestern University and has done graduate work at Purdue University in Ohio. He is married and has children, Richard 20, David 12, and Douglas 10.

E D W A R D ENGELHART has taught at M.H.S. for 26 years. He teaches drivers' training and is athletic director. He received his B.S. from Central Normal College and his M.S. from Indiana University. He is married and has children, Sharon of 20, Richard 17. His favorite hobby is fishing. The sport he enjoys participating in the properties of the control of the parties of the properties of the control of the parties of the control of the control of the control parties in the most is bowline.







IRENE FELLING has taught English and journalism at M.H.S. 2 years. She received her B.A. in English, French, and biology at Indiana State. Her hobbies are reading and sewing. She enjoys participating in tennis, bowling, and swimming.

SALLY GOODRICH has taught at M.H.S. 2 years. She teaches girls' physical education and health and safety. She received her B.A. at Adrian College majoring in English and physical education. Her hobbies are sports and reading. She enjoys participating in golf and swimming.

JAMES HOLDERMAN has taught art at M.H.S. 8 years. He received his B.S. and M.A. from Ball State Teachers College. He is married and has two children, Terri 9, and Suzanne 3. His hobbies are model ship building, painting, ceramics, and sculpture.







CARL HUTCHISON has taught at M.H.S. 5 years. He has taught business math, algebra, geometry, and trigonometry. He received his B.S. and M.S. in math from Indiana State College. He is married and has a young son, Dirk Max. His hobbies include all sports. He enjoys participating in baseball and hunting.

RICHARD HYSONG has taught English at M.H.S. 4 years. He rereceived his B.A. from Duquesne University in English and social studies. He is married and has five children, Richard 21, Bob 17, Connie 16, Georgine 11, and Mary Anney4/His hobbies are by Middlen and rability

Georgine 11, and Mary Annes 4. Connie ici hobbies are his dilidere and publis.

MARY JEFFERIES has taught at M.H.S. 3 years. She teaches Spanish and English. She received her A.B. from Indiana State College in Spanried and has 2 children, Jimmie 6, and Susan 3. Her hobbies are reading and her children. She enjoys bowling and watching basketball.







BETTE KEITH has taught at MH.S. for 3 years. She is our guidance counselor. She received her B.S. from Baker University in physical education and history and her M.S. from Indiana University in education and guidance. Robert 20 and Chris 17 are her children. Mrs. Keith's hobbies are dancing, boating, politics, and reading.



FERN KIRTLAND has taught at M.H.S. 3 years. She teaches home economics. She received her B.S. in home economics from the University of Wisconsin, She is married and has 5 children, James 22, Patricia 20, Ray 18, John 15, and Marilyn 9. Her hobbies include scuba diving, camping, making decorations, and reading.



GLADYS LEAS has taught at M.H.S. 4 years. She teaches typing, general clerical, and shorthand. She received her B.S. and M.A. in business education from Ball State Teachers College. Her hobbies include travel and photography. She also likes to participate in volleyball, bowling, and tobagganning.



LAWRENCE LONG has taught H.S. 5 years. He relengish at M.H.S. 5 years. He received his B.S. in education from Ball dren, Lawrence, Margaret, and Joseph. His hobbies include gardening, raising bees, and do-it-yourself work. He enjoys participating in ice skating, sledding, handball, and bit-veling.



AGNES LYNCH has taught at M.H.S. 5 years. She teaches English and college preparation. She received her B.A. in English and speech from Mount Mary College. She is married and has 3 children, Sharon 11, Kristin 9, and Brian B. Her hobbies include cooking, writing, and the theater.







HARRY MATHERS has taught at MH.S. I year. He teaches physics, general science, and business math. He received his B.S. in math, physics, and chemistry from Purdue. His hobbies are music, sports, hi-fi, and photography. He likes to play golf and enjoys watching football and basketball.

FRANK MELTZER has taught music at M.H.S. 11 years. He received his B.S. from Canterbury College and attended Ball State summer school. He is married and has 3 children, Kim 14, Frank 12, and Lori 3. His hobby is sports, and he enjoys participating in golf.

WILLIAM METCALF has taught at M.H.S. 7 years. He teaches health and safety, and coaches variity bas-ketball, and baseball. He received his B.S. in physical education and social studies from Valparaiso, and his M.S. in physical education from Indiana University. He is married and has 3 children, Kathy 12, Debra 8, and Dale 3.







GERALD RAINFORD has taught at M.H.S. 4 years. He teaches algebra, geometry, and trigonometry. He received his B.S. in education from Indiana University. He is married and has 4 children, David 18, Jean 16, Maryel 12, and Vena 10. His hobby is fishing, and he enjoys watching football. basekhall, and track.



JERAULD REINHART has taught music at M.H.S. 9 years. He received his B.M.E. from Indiana University. He is married and has 6 children, Linda 10, Steve 8, Mike 7, Chris 5 Mark 3, and Lisa 2. He enjoys watching football and basketball.







LEE ROTTMAN has taught at M.H.S. 2 years. He teaches business math and shop. He received his B.S. from Nebraska State College and his M.S. from Indiana State College.

KATHLEEN SEALE has taught home economics at M.H.S. 7 years. She received her B.S. in home economics and M.S. in education from Purdue University. She is married and has 4 children, John 17, Ruth 15, Jane 14, and Kerry 10. Her hobbies include reading and travel.

STANLEY SEMOKAITIS has taught at M.H.S. 16 years. He teaches shop and drafting. He received his B.S. from Indiana State College. He is married and has 3 children, Kapaka 16, Julie 14, and Susan 7. His hobby is plastic carving, and he enjoys playing goff.







EUGENE TALMADGE has taught at M.H.S. 3 years. He teaches U.S. history and government and economics. He received his B.S. from Murris State College. He is married and has 2 children, Cherly 2, and Debra II months. His hobby is reading. And he likes to watch football and college basketball.

DOROTHY WOLF has taught German 1 year at M.H.S. She received her B.A. in German and archaeology, and M.A. in Old Testament archaeology from Wheaton. Her hobbies in clude lecturing, sewing, and knitting. She enjoys participating in swimming, volleyball, and bowling.





VELVEN WOOLDRIDGE has taught at M.H.S. for 9 years. He is in charge of Audio-Visual for all Merrilliville schools. He receives his B.S. from Southern Illinois University, and his M.S. from Purdue University. He is married and has two children, Linda 11, and Nancy 5. His hobbies are photography and woodworking. He enjoys swimming and baseball, and he likes to participate in basketball and hockey.

CURTIS YULE has taught at M.H.S. 2 years. He teaches speech and English. He received his B.S.S. from Northwestern University. He is married and has 2 children, Christina 13, and Debra 10. His hobbies are writing and the theatre. He also enjoys watching basketball.

Cafeteria Workers



(STANDING) Fairy Sandlin, Ethel Marsalek, Audrey Swinford, (SITTING) Pauline Newcomb, Marge Mance.



Mrs. Hall and Mrs. Kros.

Custodians



Marion DeGaetano



Joe Rendo







Senior class officers — R. Fieser, Pres.; D. Grant, Treas.; C. Deible, Sec.; L. Witter, Vice-

Seniors Say Farewell

Four years ago we started high school. Now, our last year is already here. On May 28, we will leave the halls of M.H.S. but we will take with us many happy memories.

will take with us many happy memories.

Our freshman year we joined clubs, did homework, cheered the Pirates, and demonstrated our dramatic talent in our presentation of "Meet me in St. Louis."

As sophomores we decided against class sweaters, gave "Seven Sisters" as our class play, and studied hard to get through the classes we took.

Then in our junior year we got our class rings. We couldn't get together on the style and broke a long established tradition by getting several different kinds. But we worked together on the float for Homecoming and even got second with our "Bury the Blazers." We gave a new and different play — "Kiss me Kate" and made it a big success.

For our Prom we decided to transform the gym into a scene in "Romantiz Rome". Buddy Prenner played the music as we danced in a Roman park with a huge white fountain in the center. Roger Feiser and Dona Grant were crowned Prom King & Queen. After the crowning we left for Vogel's and were entertained by "Wicky & the Weirdos." Then at 4 o'clock we headed home. As the year came to a close, we said good-bye to the graduating senois & anxiously awaited the next year when we would be seniors.

Then the day came we had all looked forward to. We couldn't help but look back; finally though, we turned and walked boldly forward. The Senior class float wins 1st.





Linda Severance is named salutatorian.



Joan Daniel is named valedictorian.



Judy Masteller is also named salutatorian.

Valedictorian and Salutatorians Announced Play Practice

"Always listen to the director."



"Let's see that again."





ALENE KAY ADAMS Kay G.A.A. 1,2,3; Pep 2,3, 4; F.H.A. 3,4; Sunshine 4; Prom Comm. 3.



Ianie

G.A.A. 1,2; Spanish 2,3; Science 4; Sec. 4; Band 1,2,3,4; Pep Band 2,3, 4; Student Council 2; Prom Comm. 3.



CYNTHIA ASHTON AbigailG.A.A. 1,2; Glee 1,2,3; Pep 1,2; Choir 1,2,4.

GERALD TRUMAN BELL

Rock German 1.



THOMAS AUSTIN Jr. Hi-Y 2; Prom Comm. 3.

SHARI BLAZE

F.H.A. 1; G.A.A. 1; Pep 1,2,3; Sunshine 1; Choir 1,2,3,4; Prom Comm. 3.





SHARON LYNN BALLARINO F.H.A. 4; Edison 1,2,

JUDY BLEY

J.B.G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Reporter 3; Speech 1,2; German 1,2; Pep 1.





BARBARA ANN BEATY

Barb Choir 4; Sunshine 4; Latin 4; Thorton Fractional 1.

MARTIN BLISSMER Mart F.F.A. 1; Sr. Hi-Y 3,4; Football 3,4; Basketball





SANDRA KAY BORRMANN

Sandy Spanish 2,3; F.H.A. 1, 4; Pep 4; G.A.A. 1; Band 1,2,3,4; Exec. Board 3,4; Class Play Comm. 3; Prom Comm. 3.



Audio-Visual 2; Hi-Y 3,4; Prom Comm. 3; Lew Wallace 1.



LARRY BRAKLEY Audio-Visual 2,3.

LEWIS W. CARVER JR.





MICHAEL A. BROOKS

Mike Edison 1.

IOHN CHARLESWORTH Charley Hi-Y 2: Audio-Visual





JANICE BUGGIE

JanF.T.A. 4; G.A.A. 4; Pep 4; Sunshine 4; Kelly 3.

GREGORY KEITH CHENEY

Thespian 4; Science 3, 4; Audio-Visual 4; Class Play 3; Prom Comm. 3; Carroll High 1; Donora High 2.





DONNA JEAN BURDAN Sunshine 1,2,3,4; Sec. 3; President 4; Latin 1, 2,3,4; G.A.A. 1; Pep 1;

Choir 1,2,3,4; Vocalteens 3,4.

CHESTOVICH Fish

F.H.A. 1,2; Pep 1,2,3, 4; G.A.A. 1,2; Choir 1, 2; Prom Comm. 3; Student Council 1,2.





JAMES COOK

Choir 1,2,3,4.





JOAN DANIEL

Joanie
Latin 3; German 2;
Reporter 2; F.T.A. 1,
2,3,4; Librarian 2;
Vice-Pres. 3, Pres. 4;
G.A.A. 1; S.S.S. 2;
Student Council 1,3,4;
Exce. Board 2,4; N.H.S.
2,3,4; Science 4;
Prom Comm. 3; Prom
Queen Cand. 3.





CHERYL COOPER

Corkey
Choir 1,2,3; S.S.S. 1,2,
3; Spanish 1; German
3.

ALLEN DAY

Allie Lettermen 4; Student Council 1; Band 1,2,3,4; Football 1,2,3,4; Baseball 1,2,3,4.





LINDA COOPER F.H.A. 1; Prom Comm. 3.

BETTY DEBOE

Butt
Choir 1,2,3,4; Prom
Comm. 3; Velveteens
4; Pep 1,2,4; F.H.A. 3;
G.A.A. 1,2.





BARBARA JEAN
DAEGE

Barb

S.S.S. 1; G.A.A. 1,2;
Pep 1; Choir 1,2,4;
Prom Comm. 3.

CHARLES DEIBLE

Charlie Track 2,3,4; Football 2; Basketball 1; Play cast 3; Student Council 4; Vice Pres. 4; Jour. Staff 4; Class Sec. 4; Latin 1,2,3,4; Vice Pres. 4; Thespians 3,4; Vice Pres. 4; Hi-Y 2,3,4.





MICHAEL DUGLE Duge



Ace F.F.A. 2; Science 1; F.F.A. Advisor; Tolleston.





RICHARD ENGELHART

Letterman's Club 4; Hi-Y 2; Spanish Club 4: Basketball 1.2.3.4: Cross Coun. 1,3,4: Co-Capt. 4; Baseball 2; Track 3,4: Football 2; Prom Comm. 3.

ROBERT

FAULKNER BobBaseball Mgr. 3.





DENNIS ERDELAC Curly

GEORGE FEDORCHAK German 3; Prom Comm. 3.





DANIEL ETCHISON Dan German 1; Speech 4; Hi-Y 3,4; Prom Comm. 3; Audio Vis. 1; Band

ROGER FIESER

Hodge Hi-Y 2,3,4; Letter-man's Club 3,4; Sec. Sr. Hi-Y 4; Jr. Pres. Hi-Y; Class Vice-Pres. 2; Class Vice-Pres. 3; Class Pres. 4; Prom Server 2; Prom King 3; Football 1,2,3,4; Capt. 4; Basketball 1,2; Wrestling 3,4; Track 1,2,3,





JANICE FABRICI Bridge F.H.A. 1,2; Pep Club 2,3,4; G.A.A. 1; Choir

CHARLOTTE FOX Char

G.A.A. 2,3; Pep Club 1, 2; Speech 2,3,4; Pres. 4, Trea. 3; Choir 1,2,3; Prom Comm. 3; Speech Float Comm. 3,4; Class Float 4.





BILL FRANK WillieGerman 1,2; Hi-Y 1,2, 3,4; Football 1,3,4; Wrestling 3,4.

JERRY LEE GILL Lee Lee Hi-Y 3,4; Treas. 3.



CHARLES PAUL FRANKO Chas Andrean 1.

KENNETH GILLAM Latin 1,2,3,4; Hi-Y 1; Science 1; Nat'l. Honor Soc. 3,4; Band 1,2,3,4;



DANNY FREEMAN

GEORGE EDWARD GILROWSKI

Sec. 4.



Hi-Y 1,2,4; Pres. 1, Sec. 2, Treas. 4; Lettermen 3,4; Sec. 4; Student Council 1; Class Play 1; Basketball 1,2; Football 1,2,3,4; Mr. Football 4; Baseball 1, 2,3,4.



JAMES GARWOOD Jim Football 1,3; Hi-Y 3,4; Track 2, Baseball 1.

KAREN SUE GOTT



Pep 3; F.H.A. 4; Sunshine 4; Choir 3; Exec. Board 3: Prom Comm.

Comm. 3; Alternate Girls State 3.



Football 2.



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DOROTHY C. GRIFFIN

Dottie G.A.A. 1,2; Pep 1,2,4; F.H.A. 4; S.S.S. 1; Choir 2,4; Student Council 2; Prom Comm. 3.







WILLIAM C. GROZA

German 4; Track 1; Band 1.2.







GARY W. GULLIC

Science 3,4; Treas. 4; Hi-Y 2; German 1,2; Band 1,2,3,4.



Thespians 2,3,4; German 2,3,4; Sgt. at Arms 3; Band 1,2,3,4; Pep Band 1,2,3,4; Exec. Board 2; Play Cast 1,2, 3,4; Prom Comm. 3; Track Mgr. 1,2,3, 4; Football Mgr. 4; Basketball Mgr. 4.



G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Spanish 1,2,4; Pep 1; Student Council 3; Exec. Board 4; Nat'l. Honor Soc. 3, 4: Class Secretary 2: Choir 1.2.3.4: Vice-Pres. 4; Vocalteens 3,

THOMAS E. HARPER

TomF.F.A. 1,2,3; Sec. 1,2; Speech 3; Band 1,2; Track 1; Play Stage Manager 3,4.



JOHN DAVID

HALBERSTADT Welsh Valley 1; Harriton 2; Latin 3,4; Science 3,4; Nat'l. Honor Soc. 3.4: Audio-Visual 3.4: Thespians 4: Band 1,2,3,4; Student Council 1; Exec. Board 1; Prom Comm. 3; Boys' State Delegate 3; Merrillvue Editor 4: Lake County Gov. Youth Advisory Council & Youth Assembly Dele-



Spanish 1; Science 1; Debate Team 1; Track 2.3.4.







GLORIA HAYES Choir 1,2,3,4; Prom Comm. 3; G.A.A. 2; S.S.S. 1,2; F.H.A. 1,2.



HORNAK

Annie G.A.A. 1,2,3,4: Pep 1: Choir 1,2,3,4; Sec. 4; Vocalteens 4; Velveteens 3; Prom Comm. 3; Student Council 2.



OLIVE HEGEDUS G.A.A. 1,3,4; Pep 1; F.H.A. 1; Choir 1,2,3, 4; Velveteens 3; Student Council 1: Exec. Board 3; Prom Comm.

MICHAEL HUFFMASTER

Huffy Hi-Y 1,2,3,4; Football 2: Track 1,2.





DOUGLAS HERRON Douger Track 1.

SHIRLEY ANN HULL G.A.A. 1,2; F.H.A. 4; Pep 1: Choir 4.





DAVE HOLLINGSWORTH Hi-Y, 1,3,4; Lettermen 4: Exec. Board 3. Football 1,2,3,4; Wrestling

3; Track 2.

WILLIAM JACOB IDZIOR

Latin 1,2; Science 3,4; Vice-Pres. 4; Comp. Math State Finals 3.





JOHN EARL HOLLOMAN

Johnnie Boy Hi-Y 2,3,4; Lettermen 3,4; Choir 1,2,3,4; Vocal Teens 3,4; Exec. Board 4; Football 1,2, 3,4; Basketball 1; Track 1; Wrestling 4; Baseball 2,3,4.

WALTER JACHIMCZAK Walt Spanish 1; Hi-Y 2,3; Science 3,4; Pres. 4; Band 4: Prom Comm. 3.





WILLIAM EDWARD JACOBS

Football 4; Baseball 4; Wirt 1,2,3.



1: Mirror Staff.



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 $\begin{array}{c} {\rm NANCY\ JOHNSON} \\ {\it Nanny} \end{array}$

F.H.A. 2,3,4; Sunshine 1,2,4; Pep 4: Spanish 1; Choir 1,2,3,4.

ANTHONY KALINOWSKI Bonaventure 2½.





MARK EMMETT JOHNSTON

Boom-Boom Latin 1,2,3,4; Hi-Y 1, 2,3,4; Vice-Pres. 1; Basketball 1; Football 1,2, 3,4; Baseball 1,2,3,4; Lettermen 4; Prom server 2.

LEILANI KAZNAK Nat'l. Honor Soc. 3,4; Sunshine 4.





JOSEPH LEE JONES Joe

Wrestling 1.

Honor Soc. 2,3,4; Vice-Pres. 4; Band 1,2,3,4;

Student Council 1,4;

Class Play 2,3; Boys State 3; Track Man-

ager 1,2,3,4; Prom

Comm. 3; Mirror Staff; Merrillvue Business Manager.

PAUL JONES Latin 1,2,3,4; F.T.A. 1; Hi-Y 1,2,3,4; Sec. 1; Class President 1; Student Council President 4; Thespians 3,4; Nat'l.

JOHN WILLIAM KEAVENEY Johnny Bill Hi-Y 3,4; Lettermen 3,

Hi-Y 3,4; Lettermen 3, 4; Student Council 3; Prom King Candidate 3; Track 2; Wrestling 1,2,3,4; Football 4.





WILLIAM KESLER

Hi-Y 1,2,3,4; Treas. 1; Latin 3,4; Prom Comm. 3; Basketball 1; Cross-Country 2,3; Wrestling 2,3,4.





IOANNE KEY

Latin 2,3,4; F.T.A. 3; G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Pep 1, 2,3,4; Prom Comm. 3.

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G.A.A. 1,2,3; Spanish 1,2,3,4; Pres. 3; Science 4; Sgt.-at-Arms 4; Honor Society 2,3,4; Treas. 4; Exec. Board 2, 3,4; Band 1,2,3,4; Girls' State 3; Prom Queen Cand. 3; Prom Comm.



G.A.A. 2,3,4; Pep 1,2, 3,4; Speech 2; Choir 1, 2,3,4; Prom Comm. 3.



BETTY KOLDUS

Bets G.A.A. 4: Tolleston 1, 2: Andrean 3.



JOHN KOVES Science 3,4; Reg. Eng. Contest 3; Nat. Merit Scholarship Semi-Finalist 4.

CAROLE KUCAN

Cookie G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Pep 1, 2,3,4; Honor Society 1, 2,3,4; Student Council 2; Play 3; Journ. 4; Quill and Scroll 4; Prom Queen Cand. 3; Athletic Ball Oueen Cand. 3; Homecoming Oueen Cand. 4: Lew Wallace 1.



IOHN KUSTRON.

IR. Speech 3.: Science 4: Gleeman 1; Choir 1,2, 3; Play 3.



LYNN CAROL LAYMAN

Sunshine 2,4; F.H.A. 2,3,4; Sec. 3; Pep 3,4; Spanish 3; Lew Wallace 1.



LINDA ELAINE LEITH

G.A.A. 1,2,3; Pep 1,2, 3,4; F.H.A. 3,4; Journ. 4: Ouill and Scroll 4: Choir 1: Prom Comm.



PAMELA LEWIN

G.A.A. 1; Spanish 1,2; F.H.A. 3,4; Treas. 4; Pep 4; Choir 1,2,3,4; Student Council 1.





Rae Ellen and court enjoy Homecoming Dance.



CLAUDIA LISMAN
Buttons
G.A.A. 1,2,3; Pep 1;
Latin 1; Choir 3,4;
Vocalteens 4; Prom
Comm. 3; Journalism
Staff 4.





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STEVE LOBODY Choir 1,2,3,4.

LUEDTKE

Ken

Latin Club 1,2,3; Science 4: Hi-Y 1,2,4;
Letterman 4; Exec.
Board 2,3; Hi-Y Pres.
1; Band 1,2,3,4; Pep
Band 1; Prom Comm.

3; Football 2,3, 4; Track 1,2,3,4; Capt. 4; Basketball 1,2,3,4.

KENNETH









LYNETTE MAGEE Linnie Spanish 1; Pep 1; Choir 1,2,3,4.



MARKOVICH

Marko F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; Song Leader; G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Pep 1,2,3,4; Choir 1,4; Prom Comm.



ELOISE MALIZZO S panish 1,2; Vice-President 1; Pep 3; G.A.A. 1,2,3,4: Exec. Board 4; Cheerleading 4; Emerson 11/2 years.

PHILIP WALLER MARSHALL

Spanish 1; Latin 2, 3,4; Hi-Y 2,3,4; Science 4; Prom Comm. 3; Edison 1 year.





THOMAS STEVEN MARICH Harbor

THOMAS WILLIAM MARTIN

Hi-Y 3,4; Lettermen's 3,4; Band 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4; Wrestling 3,4; Prom Comm. 3; Class Play 2; Wirt 1.





Watch your step, Ray!



Pay Your Respects.



FIGHT!!!



JUDITH ANN MARX

Judy F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; Pep 2,3, 4; G.A.A. 1,2,3; Journ. 4; Quill and Scroll 4; Prom Comm. 3.

CHRISTOPHER MAXWELL

Chris Latin 3,4; Hi-Y 3; Vocal Teens 3,4; Choir 2, 3,4; Play 3; Elkhart.





TERRY BRUCE MASSEY

MaceHi-Y 1,2; Play 1; Prom Comm. 3; Prom King Cand. 3.

RAY McCRACKEN





Judy Latin 1,2,3,4; Thespians 3,4; F.T.A. 1,2; G.A.A. 1; Sunshine 2; Honor Society 2,3,4; Exec. Board 1,2; Play 1.2.3: Girls' State 3: Debate Team 2.

JUDITH McLAUGHLIN Judy

Spanish 1,2; Sunshine 1.2.3.





WILLIAM McLAUGHLIN Bill

MAXINE BARBARA MIKULA Max G.A.A. 4; Andrean 1,2, 3.



KATHLEEN McLEAN *Tanganyka* F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; G.A.A. 1,3,4; Pep 4; Choir 4.

DANIEL MARIN MILOBAR Dan



WAYNE MEYER F.F.A. 2; Audio-Visual 2; Henning High 3.

BARBARA MITCHELL Bobbie Pep 1,2,4; G.A.A. 1,2; F.H.A. 1,2; Prom Comm. 3.





CAROL ANN MIKLOS F.H.A. 3,4; Emerson 1, 2.

PETE MUDRICH Student Council alt. 1; Golf 1,2,3,4.





ROGER GENE MIKLOS

GLENNA MAE NEWNUM Dyer Central High School 1,2,3.



Rog



IIM NICHOLS

Nick Jr. Hi-Y 2; Spanish 3; Lettermen's 4; Executive Board 4; Football 2; Baseball 1,2,3,4; Cross Country 1,3,4; Captain 3,4; Basketball 1.2.3.4.

DALE A. OLSON

Swede Choir 1,2,3,4; Vocalteens 3,4.



DONNA NIKSCH G.A.A. 1; Pep 1; Sunshine 1,2; F.T.A. 1,2,3, 4: Secretary 3.4: Latin 1.2.3.4: Choir 1: National Honor Society 3, 4; Play Cast 3; Girls' State Alternate 3; Mirror Staff 4; Editor 4; Prom Comm. 3.

DIANE MARY OROSZ

F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Pep 1,2,3,4; Prom Comm. 3: Play Comm. 2.





ALLENE NOVAK

F.T.A. 2,3,4; G.A.A. 1, 2,3,4; Secretary 3; President 4; Pep 1,2,3, 4; Latin 3,4; Fine Arts 3,4; Play 3; Footballo-Rama Candidate 3.

ELAINE ANNETTE OSTLUND

Red Pep 1; Latin 1,2,3,4; Sunshine 2; F.H.A. 3; Prom Comm. 3.





JANICE NOVAK

Horse Cake Sunshine 1; F.H.A. 1, 2,3,4; President 3; Vice-President 4; Choir 2,3,4; G.A.A. 1,4; Prom Candidate 3; Executive Board 3: Prom Comm. 3.

DEANNA PAGEL

Dee Spanish 1: Pep 1,2,3: G.A.A. 1,2; Choir 1,2, 3; F.H.A. 2,3,4; Reporter 3; Secretary 4; Prom Comm. 3.





LEE NUZZO

Nube

BARBARA PAVLOCK Pep 1,2,3; G.A.A. 1,2, 4; Choir 1,2; Student Council 1: Prom Comm. 3.





ALICE PAYNE Spanish 1,2; Choir 1,2, FRANKLYN E. 3,4.





RUTH PAYNE

EDWARD JOHN PINTAR Pits





The Seniors yell it!



Senior boys pay close attention as Coach Demaree speaks at pep rally.



SHERRY LYNN PREDAINA G.A.A 1,2,3,4; F.H.A. 1,3; Speech 2; Pep 1,2, 3,4; Choir 1,2,3; Prom Comm. 3.



REWERTS

Latin 1,2,3,4; F.T.A. 3, 4; Treas. 4; Thespians 3,4; Recorder 4; G.A.A. 1,2; Pep 1,2,3,4; Choir 1,2,3,4; Librarian 1; Debate Team 2; Journalism 4; Ouill and Scroll 4: Exec. Board 4.





CAROL JEAN RADU Squirt Spanish 1,2; G.A.A. 1, 2,4; Pep 1,2; F.H.A. 1; Student Council 1; Exec. Board 1,4; Prom

Comm. 3.

BRIAN E. RICE Science 3.





BRUCE REIBLY Sr. Hi-Y 3,4; Football 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3; Wrestling 3; Exec.

Board 4.

WILLIAM E. RIMER Butch Sr. Hi-Y 4; Track 4; Football 3,4; Choir 1,2,



Susan Sheppard and Sue Gustafson put on Spanish III skit.





SHIRLEE MARIE RITCHIE German 3; Thespians 2, 3,4; Play Cast 2,3,4; G.A.A. 1,2; Exec. Board 2; Prom Comm.







BARBARA LYN ROOS *Crow*F.H.A. 1; Pep 1,2,3,4;
G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; F.T.A.
2,3,4; Latin 2,3,4; Thespians 3,4; Band 1,2.





DAVE ROSENBALM

Hi-Y 1,2,3,4; Sgt. at Arms 3; Vice-Pres. 4; Football 2,4; Basketball 1,2,4; Cross-Country 1; Track 1; Letterman 2, 3,4; Prom Comm. 3; Prom King Cand. 3.

SUSAN SHEPPARD
Student Council 2,3,4;
Sec. 4; N.H.S. 3,4; Latin 3,4; Exec. Board 3;
Spanish 1,2; G.A.A. 1,
2,3; Pep 3,4; Band 1,2,
3,4; Sec. 3; Prom
Comm. 3; Journalism 4;
Quill and Scroll 4; Student Council Workshop



Another studious day in college prep!





SANDRA SHERIDAN Sandy

Spanish 1,2,3; Pep 2,3, 4; G.A.A. 1,2; Band 1, 2,3,4; Exec. Board 2,3; Prom Comm. 3; Journalism 4; Quill and Scorll 4.



Toni G.A.A. 1,2,3; Pep 1,2,3, 4; F.H.A. 3,4; Choir 1, 2,3,4.





RAE ELLEN SHERRINGTON Never-Ready G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Pep 1,2, 3,4; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; Spanish 3,4; Choir 2; Prom Queen Candi. 3; Student Council 1,2.

MARCIA SLOSSON *Marcy* Latin 1; F.T.A. 1; Pep 1,4; S.S.S. 1,2,3,4; Exec. Board 3,4; Choir 4.





CAROL LEA SCHULTS Shalamar F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; G.A.A. 1; Pep 1,2,3; Band 1,2, 3,4; Prom Comm. 3.





John Halberstadt plays taps for Armistice Day.



C. STANLEY SMITH

Choir 1,2,3,4; Track 1, 2,3; Wrestling 1; Cross Country 1; Lettermen's 1.

FAYE DIANE STOWERS

Stovepipe S.S.S. 1; G.A.A. 1,2; Pep 1,4; Prom Comm. 3.





SANDRA RAE SMITH

Samantha G.A.A. 1,2,4; F.H.A. 1; Spanish 1,2; Pep 1,2,4; Speech 1,2; Sec. 2; Class Sec. 1.

JERRY SULLIVAN
Sully
Audio-Visual 2.





CRAIG SPROUT

Football 1,2,3; Hi-Y 3,4; Prom Comm. 3.

BONNIE JEAN SZILLAGE

SZILLAGE

Bon
S.S.S. 2,3; Choir 1,2.





BONNIE S. STANLEY
Bee-Wee
Band 1,2,3,4; Prom
Comm. 3; G.A.A. 1,2;
Pep 1,2.

ELIZABETH THOMPSON Cowpie Pep 1,2,3,4; Latin 2,3, 4; F.T.A. 3; G.A.A. 1, 2,3,4; F.H.A. 1; Band 1,2; Exec. Board 3; Prom Comm. 3; Journ.

BONNIE

Staff 4.

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RAYMOND STEFANKIEWICZ Ray Latin 1,2,3; F.T.A. 1; Thespians 2,3,4: Choir

Latin 1,2,3; F.T.A. 1; Thespians 2,3,4; Choir 1,2; Play Cast 2,3; Journ. Staff 4.

DONNA JEAN THOMPSON Latin 1,2,3,4; G.A.A. 1; Pep 1; F.T.A. 1,2,3, 4; S.S.S. 2; Science 4; Thespians 4; Prom Comm. 3; Journ. Staff 4.





JOHN THRALL Latin 3,4; Science 4; Class Play Comm. 3.





ALAN THUREN

IUDY WAGONER Pep 1,2,3,4; Sunshine



Hi-Y 2,3,4; Latin 3; Sgt. at Arms; Nat'l. Honor Soc. 2.3.4: Class President 3: Choir 1.2: Student Council 3; Prom Comm. 3; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Golf 2, 3,4: Cross-Country 3,4.

Exec. Board 4.

2; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; Parl.

2; Project Chairman 3;

President 4; Choir 1,2,

3,4; Prom Comm. 3;



SALLY JEANNE TOMASIC F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; Sunshine 1; G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Choir 1,2,3,4.

JEANETTE WALLACE Pep 1,2,3,4; G.A.A. 1, 2; F.H.A. 4; Sunshine 1; Choir 1,2,4; President 4; Exec. Board 1.





MARTIN TRABER

Marty Hi-Y 2,3,4; Thespians 3,4; Latin 1,2; Exec. Board 3.4: Prom King Candidate 3; Class Play 2,3,4; Football 1, 3,4; Prom Comm. Chairman.







PETER UREMOVICH

Huev Football 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2, 3,4; Lettermen's 2,3,4; Sgt. at Arms 3,4; Hi-Y 2,3,4; President 4; Vice-President 2; Choir 1,2; Mr. Football Candidate 4; All State, Football 4.



Bruno Exec. Board 1: Hermansville 1.





KAREN E. WESLEY G.A.A. 1,2; Latin 1,2,3, 4; F.T.A. 2,3,4; Exec. Board 3; Vice-Pres. 4; N.H.S. 2,3,4 Play 3; Journalism 4; Quill and Scroll 4; Prom Comm. 3; Exec. Board 4.



Slow G.A.A. 1,2,3; Sec. 2; Student Council 1.



HOPE WESSELS Hopie Pep 3,4; Spanish 3; F.H.A. 3; G.A.A. 3.

LON L. WITTER

Wit German 1; Thespian 2, 3,4; Pres. 4; N.H.S. 2, 3,4; N.F.A.S. 3,4; Class Vice-Pres. 4; Exec. Board 3,4; Play 2,3,4; Baseball 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1; Journalism 4; Boy's State Alter. 3.





BETTY JEAN WHITE

Spanish 1; G.A.A. 1,2, 3.4: Pep 1.2.3.4: Speech 2,3; Thespians 2,3,4; Adviser 3; Choir 1,2,3, 4; Sec. 2; Pres. 4; Exec. Board 3; Class Treas. 2; Prom Comm. 3; Play Director 2,3: Velveteens 3; Vocalteens 4.



Wolly Hi-Y 1,2,3,4; Student Council 1; Wrestling 1, 2,3,4.





IACKY D. WHITWORTH Iack

GERALD RAY WOTHERSPOON

Hi-Y 1,2; Football 1; Wrestling 1; Track 1; Prom Comm. 3.





ALICE WIERMAN F.H.A. 1,2,4; S.S.S. 1, 2,3; Pep 1.

SHARRON LYNN ZART Sherrie G.A.A. 4; Spanish 4; F.T.A. 4.





JERRY ZEHA

Zebra

Student Council 2,
Football 1,2,3,4; Track
1,2,3,4; Wrestling 3,4;
Basketball 1.



Rich Chesterton High School



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JERRY ZIMNY
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Freshman Hi-Y, Junior
Hi-Y, Prom King Candidate; football 2.

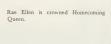
CHRISTINA MARIE ZUCCOLATO

G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Pep 1,2, 3,4; Student Council 2; Executive Board 2, Prom Queen Candidate 3, Prom Chairman 3; Choir 1,2,3,4; Cheerleader 1,2,3,4; Athletic Queen Candidate 1.



Seniors not pictured:

Edwin Czazasty Elizabeth Eich Sandra Yuro





Juniors Look Forward to Prom



Junior class officers: l. to r. Rich Blaney, President; Bill Putz, Treasurer; Lorraine Vlasic, Secretary; Jim Aeschliman, Vice President.

Juniors build a whale of a float.

The Junior class chose as its play, Mrs. McThing; it was a comedy presented November 16 and 17. A total of one thousand people attended the play, making a record-breaking income for a Junior class play. They also sponsored a dance after the play.

The Juniors received an honorable mention for their float which was a whale that wiggled its tail, and had water coming out of its blowhole. The Junior executive board chose rings with a green stone and the Pirate crest. This was the first year the Juniors received their rings early in the year. Bake sales contributed to the fund for the Junior Prom presented May 4.



J. Adams
J. Aeschliman
W. Anderson
G. Anhold
S. Apolzan
L. Ashley

D. Bacchus
B. Bascom
D. Bayus
N. Bella
J. Benton
R. Blaney

C. Blocker
D. Blomiley
R. Bloom
J. Bonick
J. Boyd
P. Braatz

M. Brooks
J. Brown
T. Bublitz
H. Burrow
R. Cadwell
C. Campbell

J. Castaldi
D. Chumbler
R. Clark
M. Clarke
R. Cole
M. Cook

J. Coster
K. Coveris
J. Croell
S. Croley
S. Cunningham
L. Dance

W. Davis
L. Deuberry
J. Dobis
F. Draganowski
J. Driscoll
B. Eaton

D. Eich J. Ekaitis W. Ensminger M. Etchison S. Farkas R. Fedorchak



Proudly Display Rings



Sue Vedo, Bob Bloom, and Sue Croley watch the big-hairy-gumdrop boys (Bob Kiburz and Phil Troop) ham it up.



Hmm, Are you sure its poly-unsaturated?



D. Fischer
C. Fletcher
R. Flick
S. Foley
M. Franz
D. Fredley

J. Froehling
J. Gaines
B. Galanis
P. Gifford
R. Goetschel
S. Grant

P. Guelfo
S. Guernsey
T. Halsall
M. Halsted
B. Harris
R. Herndon

M. Hickman K. Hill S. Hintalla M. Hobbs B. Hrezo R. Ifyu

L. Irwin
W. Jensen
R. Johnson
D. Johnston
L. Jones
R. Jones

R. Kallenbach
R. Kaser
J. Kaurich
J. Keegan
J. Kelley
R. Kiburz

S. Kim
D. Klemm
M. Koedyker
K. Koehler
M. Kuczka
G. Kwolek

K. Lambrecht J. Lape R. Lathrop R. Lavery M. Lee H. Linkhart

T. Lissey
K. Lobsiger
W. Logan
C. Lokotzke
G. Lotz
D. Lowell

G. Luttinen
L. Mack
L. Macy
S. Martin
M. Martinez
G. Masak

W. Matusak
P. Maywald
D. McBrayer
B. McDade
A. McKeny
B. Meiselbar

L. Mellinger
J. Metcalf
G. Meyers
R. Mizera
A. Monzulla
A. Nelson

K. Nelson
M. Nelson
T. Nelson
T. Nicholls
D. Olson
S. Orelup





J. Padol
A. Page
L. Pagel
S. Patellis
D. Petri
D. Phillips

S. Pictor
S. Pike
G. Potter
K. Primich
S. Pudlo
W. Putz

J. Rainford
G. Rainwater
J. Regal
P. Reibly
C. Rerick
B. Rhodes

S. Rhodes
N. Ritz
C. Rivard
G. Roessing
S. Rose
M. Rosenbaum

S. Salmon
M. Scheeringa
L. Scheub
E. Schmidt
M. Schulatz
L. Searer



A scene from the Junior class play.

T. Sedita
S. Seeley
K. Semokaitis
J. Shawyer
R. Shepitka
R. Sheridan

J. Shipley
L. Shipley
D. Shirley
P. Shults
C. Smith
E. Smith

S. Smith
S. Smith
C. Sovich
C. Spierling
B. Staehli
D. Stanley

B. Stewart
T. Steiner
P. Stilley
P. Stolz
F. Stowers
R. Svihra

J. Tancos M. Thomas N. Thomas W. Thurston T. Todd J. Toleikis

R. Tomb J. Toth M. Trigger P. Troup







Will you play with me?



Tom Bublitz and Bob Johnson work on Junior Play set.



J. Tubich
K. Tubich
S. Tyler
K. Underwood
J. Vargo
S. Vedo

T. Vendl
L. Vlasic
S. Wagner
P. Walter
P. Ward
E. Watterson

J. Weaver
J. Webster
D. Westbury
J. Whetsel
K. White
R. Wickberg

B. Willis
S. Windbigler
C. Wise
N. Walters
C. Wood
M. Yaros

J. Zakutansky R. Zellers D. Zimny

Who says "crime doesn't pay"?



The Best Is Yet to Come



Sophomore class officers: l. to r.

— Pam Heisterberg, Pres.; Fred
Maihofer, V. Pres.; Carol Bookwalter, Sec.: Marilyn Gill, Treas.

The sophomore class was very special this year since there were no freshmen. This year they had all the lavish attention of the upper classmen.

Mr. Holderman, the sophomore's sponsor had a very interesting and busy year for them. The class had the usual car-wash and bake sale; also for the second time in Merrillville's memory a float was entered for the Homecoming parade. The feature of the float was a golden horse, and the theme was "Drum the Trojans off the Field."

The play was the most exciting and rewarding experience for the class. This year's play was a comedy. After a year of not having a sophomore play, it was very well presented. It was co-sponsored by Mrs. Lynch and Mr. Yule.

The Merrillville sophomores had a very eventful change this year. For the first time in our school's history the sophomores got to choose their rings at the end of the year. Of all the changes this year, the rings were the most welcomed and appreciated change.

Fred Maihofer "drums up" the homecoming spirit.





T. Gavelek, S. Gay, H. Gearhart, K. Gergacz, M. Gill, R. Gill, J. Goldman, G. Gonzalea.

M. Gransinger, J. Griffin, J. Hacker, S. Haines, J. Halaschak, G. Halberstadt, L. Hamilton, M. Hamilton.

D. Harlow, L. Harlow, D. Harris, L. Harris, C. Hathaway, S. Hayes, L. Haynes, R. Hays.

P. Heisterberg, J. Herr, G. Herron, R. Hicks, R. Hill, G. Hill, L. Hines, J. Hinson.

W. Hintalla, A. Hofmann, L. Hollan, T. Hrezo, P. Hunt, R. Huse, M. Jacobs, T. Jacobs.

R. Janis, M. Jergens, K. Johnson, R. Johnson, W. Johnson, C. Johnston, G. Johnston, G. Jones.

K. Jordan, N. Kay, D. Keegan, M. Kelley, N. Kelley, J. Key, Y. Kim, G. Kimble.





The hectic rush to buses still prevails for underclassmen.



M. King, T. Kish, B. Kissinger, J. Klausman, J. Knaga, L. Knudson, F. Kolarich, L. Korpal.

E. Korpella, S. Kralis, R. Kristoff, K. Kucan, J. Kuchar, E. Kwasny, B. Lafevre, N. Lahmers.

M. Lawerence, J. Leach, J. Lee, H. Lenhardt, R. Levy, J. Lines, N. Ling, D. Lollis.

M. Long, L. Lovall, K. Lovegrove, B. Lunsford, T. Lutz, J. Lyons, G. Macpherson, M. Mahoney.

N. Maier, F. Maihofer, W. Malis, J. Mancilla, M. Markancek, E. Masson, J. Masterson, P. Mazzaro.

S. Mcfalls, M. Meiselbar, C. Mellinger, S. Messina, C. Miller, P. Miller, G. Mohney, W. Monroe.

Yoo Kim and Sae Kim show how its done in Korea.



L. Montgomery, P. Morrison, B. Morton, B. Mudrich, S. Mudrich, L. Mulesa, J. Mundell, M. Mundell.

A. Murray, T. Murray, D. Neagu, J. Nelson, P. Nelson, S. Nelson, T. Nelson, E. Newnum.

J. Nichols, S. Nichols, V. Nichols, H. Niksich, D. Noble, N. Northup, T. Novotny, S. Nuzzo.

P. O'Hara, D. Olson, L. Orrell, J. Osika, C. Oosterhof, T. Owen, A. Page, L. Palm.

R. Palmer, Y. Patellis, P. Paul, S. Pavlock, D. Pendleton, R. Pendleton, M. Peters, G. Peterson.

S. Petretta, M. Petruska, R. Phillips, J. Philpott, P. Pilnak, J. Pintar, E. Pizzolato, G. Popovich.

L. Porras, D. Porter, M. Pudlo, R. Putz, P. Racosky, J. Radinsky, M. Raduenz, P. Raikes.

R. Rambo, C. Ratajec, S. Rempis, S. Rerick, N. Rogers, D. Rohde, M. Rollett, F. Rongers.

D. Roy, R. Rusak, J. Scheeringa, A. Schmidt, D. Scott, R. Seale, S. Searer, T. Shaffner.

R. Shearer, J. Shell, B. Shirley, J. Simpson, G. Smith, D. Smith, G. Smith, J. Smith, J. Smith.





J. Smith, P. Smith, R. Snemis, B. Sobat, D. Sonaty, S. Sorrick, J. Spitz, L. Schiefer.

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J. Wegman, S. Widup, M. Williams, C. Windbigler, D. Witter, S. Wraight, M. Yelachich, M. Yugo.



An apple a day keeps the teacher away.

Still the favorite pastime!



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